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SUN LATEST

FIVE O'CLOCK

JAPAN'S ATTEMPT

To Bottle Up the Russian Squadron at Port Arthur

Was Defeated by Russian Fire—Conflicting Reports as to Details But Russia is Credited With Victory

A Japanese defeat was reported yesterday from many places and under various forms. A sifting out of these reports indicates that the Japanese tried to imitate the tactics of Admiral Sampson at Santiago and bottle up the Russian fleet inside the harbor of Port Arthur by sinking heavily laden vessels in the channel. That they were unsuccessful is indicated in the following rather ambiguous and unsatisfactory dispatch from Admiral Alexieff, in which he says nothing of any loss among the Japanese warships:

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—A telegram from Viceroy Alexieff to the czar says:

"At 2.45 in the morning of Feb. 24 numerous Japanese torpedo boats attempted to attack the battleship Retvizan and sink large steamers loaded with inflammables.

"The Retvizan was the first to observe the torpedo boats and opened fire on them.

"She was supported by the land batteries. She destroyed two steamers near the entrance of the harbor; they were coming directly towards her.

"One of them went on the rocks near the lighthouse on Tiger peninsula and the other sank under Golden hill.

"The Retvizan observed four steamers in a sinking condition and eight torpedo boats departing slowly to rejoin the waiting Japanese warships.

"A portion of the crews of the Japanese vessels were drowned.

"The grounded steamer is still burning.

"The enemy is observed in the offing of Port Arthur in two lines.

"The Japanese crews saved themselves in boats, and it is possible that some of them were picked up by the enemy's torpedo boats.

"I am proceeding to examine the coasts. The entrance of the harbor is open. I attribute the complete derangement of the enemy's plan to the brilliant action and destructive fire of the Retvizan.

"Floating mines are still visible in the roadstead. I have recalled the three cruisers sent in pursuit of the enemy in order, in the first place, to clear the roadstead of floating mines.

"We had no losses."

CZAR CONGRATULATES RUSSIAN SQUADRON

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—The czar has telegraphed warm congratulations to Viceroy Alexieff and the entire Russian squadron on the able manner in which they repulsed the latest attack of the Japanese.

WILL BE HELD AS GUARDSHIPS

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—The battleships Retvizan and Cesarevitch will be temporarily employed at Port Arthur as guardships, in which capacity it has been decided their formidable guns can be utilized to good advantage. It has been found that the necessary repairs to these ships can only be fully made in the dock at Vladivostok, so the vessels will be temporarily patched up and remain at Port Arthur until circumstances will permit of their being sent to Vladivostok.

The rumors that the savings bank will not meet the demands for the repayment of deposits, in consequence of the war are emphatically denied by the Official Messenger.

JAPANESE SEIZED TONS OF BEEF

NAGASKI, Feb. 25.—The Japanese government has seized 670 tons of mess beef which was shipped from San Francisco on the steamer Korea, Feb. 2, and which was consigned to the Russian government at Vladivostok. It is thought that the Japanese government will purchase the beef.

RUSSIAN VIDETTES CUT TELEGRAPH

SEOUL, Feb. 25.—Russian videttes advanced south of Inju have cut the telegraph between Anju and Pingyang.

TAKEN PRISONER BY THE JAPANESE

SEOUL, Feb. 25.—Yi Yong Ik, who formerly was minister of war and practically dictator of Korea, and considered a friend of Russia, was taken by the Japanese when they entered Chemulpo, and on the same night put on board of a warship which took him to Japan. He went on board in court dress.

HEBREW REGIMENT TO HELP JAPAN

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Leopold Moss of Chicago, who is in this city has announced his intention of recruiting here a regiment of Hebrews for service in the Japanese army. Moss was a colonel on the staff of the late Gov. Altgeld of Illinois, and served as a captain in the war with Spain. Officials of the Japanese government have repeatedly stated that the country's laws do not permit the service of aliens, so that Colonel Moss' regiment is not at all likely to reach the front.

RUSSIA REJOICES AT JAPANESE REPULSE

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—1.45 p.m.—No further details were available this morning of the unsuccessful attempt of the Japanese to bottle up the Russian fleet at Port Arthur by sinking big merchantmen at the mouth of the harbor. The brief details contained in the official despatches indicate that the coup was planned, according to the usual Japanese tactics, to take place during the night, that it was desperately pushed and backed by eight torpedo boats which continued fighting until daylight, but that it failed completely. Great praise is given to the Russian battleship Retvizan which lay outside the harbor entrance, for her gallant work in beating off the enemy. Her part in the action shows that the reports of the injuries which she is said to have sustained in the attack of Feb. 8 were grossly exaggerated. The official despatches do not make clear the exact number of ships sent in for the purpose of blocking the throat of the harbor, or whether the four vessels destroyed were beached by the fire from the shore batteries or by the fire of the Retvizan. Consequently all the unknown additional details are expected from Viceroy Alexieff in the course of the day. As he is at Mukden the report of the commander at Port Arthur first goes to him and thence is forwarded to the czar. The report that after daylight floating torpedoes were seen in the roadstead caused anxiety. According to the latest advices the Japanese fleet yesterday was still visible on the horizon. The news of the Japanese repulse was received here with great rejoicing and was looked upon as partially wiping out the score against the enemy.

The official bulletins were given out too late for editorial comment, but the news of the initial success of Russian arms was promptly displayed. Not one of the newspapers here has yet received special despatches giving news of the Japanese repulse.

JAPANESE VERSION OF THE ATTACK

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—The Port Arthur correspondent of the Novosti telegraphs that at Port Arthur the Japanese lost steamers (number not stated) and one torpedo boat. "At the moment of writing," the correspondent continues, "twenty-three Japanese vessels were visible on the horizon and cross firing had begun, in which the Russian cruisers Bayan, Novike and Askold are participating."

MORE DETAILS OF JAPANESE ATTACK

PARIS, Feb. 25.—Additional details of the Japanese attempt to close the entrance of the harbor of Port Arthur have been received from most authoritative quarters. These say that the Japanese sent five or six old transport hulks, convoyed by torpedo boats to Port Arthur with the evident purpose of sinking the hulks at the entrance of the harbor. The battleship Retvizan discovered their approach and her fire on them was strongly seconded by that of the shore battery north of Port Arthur. The report adds that two Japanese ships were wrecked and lie in Tiger bay, that along the shore another Japanese ship was burned and that a fourth lies wrecked on the shore outside Tiger bay. It is believed that these wrecks were not warships, but hulks designed to be sunk at the entrance of the harbor. The wrecks are said to be at considerable distances from the harbor entrance, which remains open.

This report gives no information concerning the Japanese fleet, which is said to have supported the operations against Port Arthur.

CANNOT ACCOMPANY JAPANESE FLEET

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The navy department has received the following cablegram from Commander Marsh, the American naval attache at Tokio, dated yesterday:

"The foreign naval attache will not be permitted to accompany the Japanese fleet. Will be provided for at Imperial headquarters, probably Kiaio, Japan, next month. Later possibly at Tsushima Island.

RUSSIA TO IGNORE JAPAN'S TREATY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25—Russia will ignore Japan's newly negotiated treaty with Korea guaranteeing the independence and integrity of the hermit kingdom and has so informed the United States. Japan, it may be stated assumes practically the same attitude of indifference towards Russia's protest to the powers which, on high authority, it is declared, will be ignored by the Tokio government.

In diplomatic circles Secretary Hay's announcement of the negotiation of the Japanese-Korean treaty created a sensation. While the treaty, it is stated, opens up possibilities for new international complications in the far eastern war, the diplomatic corps here express the firm belief that there is no ground for apprehension at present that the war will extend beyond the two belligerents and Korea.

It will not surprise diplomats conversant with Japan's plans to see an early announcement from Tokio declaring that practically all Korean ports will be opened eventually to the commerce of the world.

ADMIRAL TOGO'S DARING ATTEMPT

LONDON, Feb. 25.—Viceroy Alexieff's despatch to the czar clearing up the doubts caused by the numerous sensational versions of the last Port Arthur affair, was received in London too late to be published in the early editions of the morning papers, but it confirms the opinion founded upon earlier rumors that Admiral Togo made a daring attempt to bottle up the Russian fleet at Port Arthur, and, although Viceroy Alexieff asserts that the entrance to the harbor of Port Arthur is still free, the fact that Admiral Togo's fleet, minus the vessels injured in the courageous exploit was soon steaming at full speed on a southeast course for Wei Hai Wei, is interpreted as an indication of the Japanese admiral's satisfaction with the accomplishment of his design.

It is pointed out here that it would be difficult for the Russians, in the darkness of night, to ascertain just what had happened to Japanese vessels or to distinguish between hulks it was their intention to sink and torpedo boats. As two injured vessels were observed steaming slowly away from Port Arthur, and as the Japanese fleet was going at full speed off Wei Hai Wei, it is presumed that the two injured vessels might have gone elsewhere to repair. Another explanation of the incompleteness of Admiral Togo's squadron as seen off Wei Hai Wei is that he possibly left some vessels at watch off Port Arthur.

Further details of this engagement from independent sources are awaited with the greatest interest, but it is believed that the reports that Japanese battleships or transports were sunk should be taken with a degree of allowance.

A despatch received here from Tokio this morning explained the recent suspension of Japanese naval operations to have been due chiefly to bad weather prevailing in the gulf of Pe Chi Li, where there have been heavy winds, snow storms and fogs. The general opinion in London is that Admiral Togo, after possibly returning to Japan to effect repairs will next devote his attention to the Russian Vladivostok squadron.

It is officially announced from St. Petersburg that the Russian government has expressed its warmest thanks to Great Britain for the help given the crews of the cruiser Varlag and the torpedo gunboat Korietz by the British cruiser Talbot at Chemulpo.

In a despatch from Chefoo, a correspondent of the Daily Mail says five thousand Russian troops have moved from Mukden to Hsin Min Ting and that skirmishes are reported between Chinese regulars and Russians near Shan Hai Kwan.

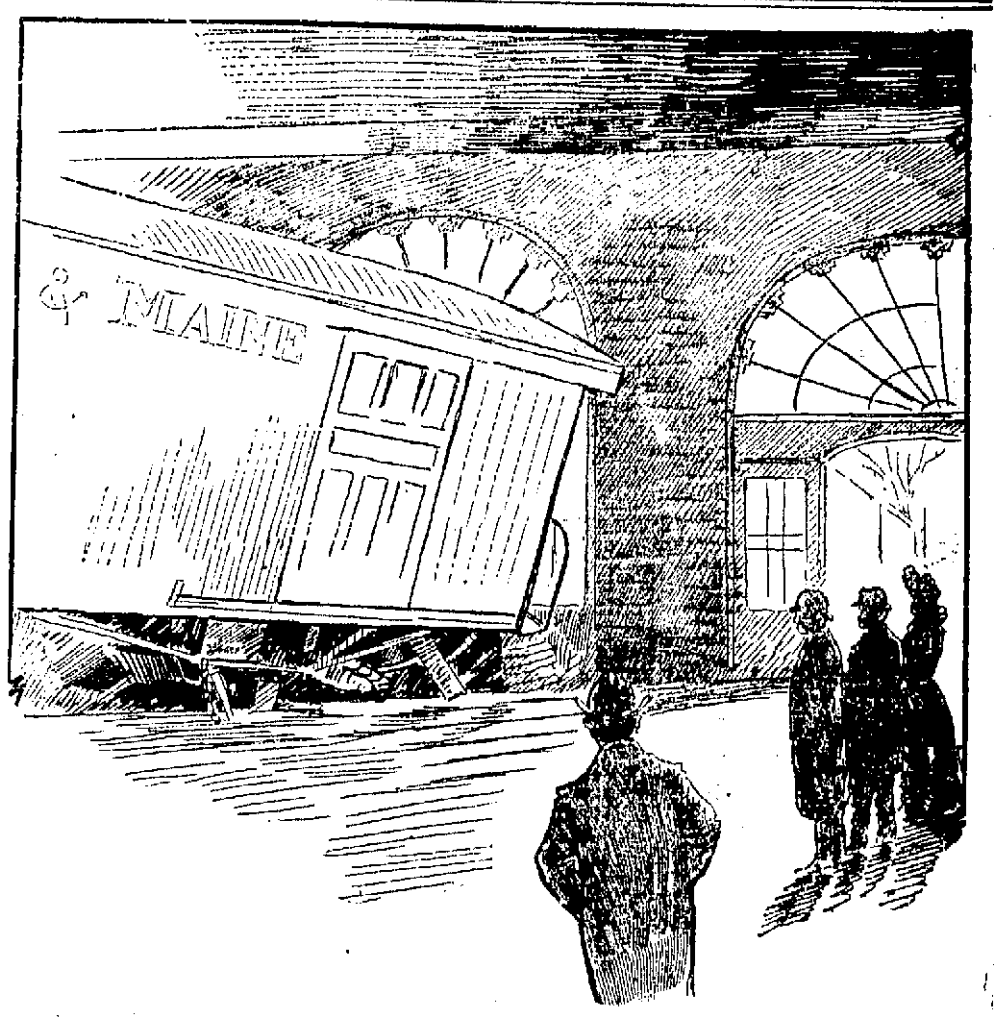
The Tokio correspondent of the Times says the Russian movements on the Yalu river are not considered serious by the Japanese, who believe that the town of Ping Yang, Korea, is safe.

It is reported that the constant exodus of Chinese coolies from Manchuria the Times correspondent goes on to say, is causing great inconvenience to the Russians.

POWERS TO SUPPORT THE RUSSIAN VIEW

PARIS, Feb. 25—It is the belief in the highest official quarters that the powers will support the Russian view of the invalidity of the Japanese treaty with Korea, so far as it creates a Japanese protectorate over Korea, owing to the emperor's being under duress. But it is said that no immediate action on the part of the powers is required as the question of the recognition of the protectorate will definitely arise when the terms of peace are considered.

In the meantime official opinion here is strongly sympathetic with Russia's position and it is considered that Russia's note to the powers protesting against Japan's violation of Korean neutrality fully protects Russia's international rights, as the protest antedates the official announcement of the conclusion of the treaty. The foreign office considers the announcement confirmatory of the view that Russia's protest to the powers was designed to reserve all her rights and to prevent international acceptance of the treaty establishing a protectorate as announced in those despatches yesterday.



THE WRECKED CAR WHICH PLUNGED ALMOST THROUGH TO THE STREET.

RAILROAD CRASH

At the Merrimack Street Depot

BAGGAGE CAR WAS SENT THROUGH THE WALL

Track Torn Up But Nobody Injured

What might have proved to be a bad accident, attended with fatal results, was averted only by a miracle at the Merrimack street station of the Boston & Maine railroad this morning when a train backed into a baggage car and almost sent the latter through the walls of the station into Merrimack street. The car was badly damaged, the bumper twisted out of shape, and a considerable portion of rail torn up. As luck would have it the people who were in the depot were not in the path of the wrecked train and therefore nobody was injured.

Generally a baggage car is left standing in the Merrimack street station for the purpose of allowing the express companies to pile their baggage into it. Baggage car number 2501 was standing on the track this morning shortly before 7.45 o'clock when the 7.45 train for Boston backed into the station and bumping into the baggage car sent it up against the bumper in the station with such force that the bumper was torn out of place and the wooden posts were splintered while the rails on the bumper were all twisted out of shape.

But for the fact that the terminal bumper was firmly imbedded in the earth the car would have gone through the front walls of the station and into Merrimack street. A portion of the rail was dragged along with the bumper leaving a break in the rail for a distance of several feet.

When the baggage car struck the bumper the front trucks were torn from their place and pushed against the rear trucks, the underwork of the car being badly tangled up, while that portion of the car which struck the bumper was splintered. The train which bumped into the baggage car escaped without any serious damage.

Had there been anybody passing through the door near the bumper when the accident occurred the results might have been serious. After the crash the baggage car careened on one side with the trucks and front of the car badly wrecked.

The cause of the accident has not been learned as yet or at least the officials of the Boston & Maine railroad refuse to throw any light on the subject. The engine was on the other end of the train when the accident happened as the train was backing down from the car yard after making up and the engineer either did not know that the baggage car was on the track or else he miscalculated the distance to the end of the track.

The accident was not quite so bad as that which occurred at the old Boston and Maine depot some twenty years ago when an engine crashed through into the express office.

Shortly after ten o'clock this morning the wrecking crew of the Boston & Maine railroad went to the Merrimack street station and after considerable difficulty succeeded in packing up the body of the car and placing in position the trucks of the car which had been driven under the body. The piece of track which had been pulled away was replaced and the car will be removed to the repair shop of the railroad.

FIVE OF FAMILY DEAD

CAYUGA, ILL., FEB. 25.—FIVE MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY OF P. S. CRAWFORD ARE DEAD AS THE RESULT OF EATING BREAD IN WHICH ARSENIC POISON HAD BEEN MIXED BY MISTAKE FOR BAKING POWDER.

FUNERALS

DEMPSEY—The funeral of Mrs. Annie Dempsey took place yesterday afternoon from her late home, No. 55 Leverett street. Rev. J. M. Craig of the First Presbyterian church conducted services at the house, and at the cemetery. The remains were placed in the receiving vault in the Edson cemetery, under the direction of Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

ROGERS—The funeral of Mrs. Eunice Rogers took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. A. H. Smith, 215 Princeton street. Prayers were read by Rev. Smith T. Ford, pastor of the First Baptist church, and there was singing by Mrs. Sherburne, Mrs. Floyd, E. H. Baker and George Burns. The bearers were E. C. and Charles Ticker and Harry and Ernest Hatch. Burial was in Edson cemetery, under the direction of Undertaker C. M. Young.

WRIGHT—The funeral of Mrs. Lorenie A. Wright took place yesterday afternoon from her late home, 42 B street. Services were conducted by Rev. B. F. Kingsley of the Highland Methodist church and appropriate selections were rendered by Mrs. Hubert Bearce and Mrs. C. H. McIntire. The bearers were S. S. and G. M. Wright, and L. M. Park and G. H. Fellows. The body was placed in the tomb in the Edson cemetery. Undertaker Young had charge of the funeral arrangements.

LARKIN—The funeral of Mrs. Ellen Larkin took place yesterday morning at 8.30 from her home in Highland avenue, North Chelmsford, and was largely attended by sorrowing friends and relatives. The cortege proceeded to St. John's church, where a mass of requiem was held at 9 o'clock, Rev. Fr. Callahan officiating. The choir under the direction of Miss Josie McCabe rendered the Gregorian mass, and at the offertory Mr. Wm. Thornton rendered the "De Profundis." At the conclusion "He Wipes a Tear From Every Eye" was sung by Miss Nano Gallagher. The full choir rendered "Nearer, My God, To Thee" as the remains were borne from the church. Among the many beautiful floral offerings were a large pillow inscribed "M. C. O. F., No. 171," from Massachusetts Catholic Order Foresters; large pillow inscribed "At Rest," from Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ryan; large pillow inscribed "Mother," from the family; palms and violets from Mr. E. L. Breault and daughter. The bearers were Patrick McEnaney, John Sherlock, Michael McMahon, Patrick McMahon, James Leahey and Patrick McEnaney. The interment was in the family lot in the Catholic cemetery this city, under the direction of Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Son.

O'ROURKE—All that was mortal of the late Margaret O'Rourke was consigned to its final resting place in the Catholic cemetery this morning. The funeral took place at 9.30 from the home of Miss Annie Rourke, cousin of the deceased, No. 72 Tyler street, and was largely attended by sorrowing friends and relatives, including a number from Boston, Lawrence and Nashua. The cortege proceeded to St. Patrick's church, where a mass of requiem was celebrated at 10 o'clock, Rev. James Walsh officiating. The choir under the direction of Michael J. Johnson rendered Schmidt's mass and during the services appropriate selections were rendered. Prominent among the floral offerings was a mammoth standing wreath on base, from the shoddyers of the weaving room in Suffolk mills. The following close friends of the deceased were bearers: James O'Rourk, Thomas Kinman, James McCabe, Thomas Donegan, Patrick Shea and Francis Brady. At the grave, Rev. James Walsh read the committal prayers and the interment was under the direction of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

A. E. O'Heir, who has been confined to his home for the past few days with a severe cold, was out yesterday for the first time.

DEATHS

PUTNAM—Mrs. Mary Lindsay Putnam, one of the oldest residents of Chelmsford, died at her home in South street of that town yesterday, aged 87 years, 9 months, 20 days. She was the wife of Israel Putnam.

FRAY—Sarah R. Fray, aged 81 years died yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. W. Payne, 30 Second avenue.

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From Yesterday's Late Edition

BRADEN'S EXCUSE

For Make-Up of Street Committee

HAS GIVEN HOPE TO BUSINESS MEN

Who Want Down Town Streets Repaved

The excuse offered by President Braden of the common council to the disappointed applicants for positions on the street department that he placed three ward one councilmen on the committee because he believes that the down town streets are more in need of repairs than any others in the city, has revived the hopes of those who would have those streets repaired.

The disappointed members of the common council will hardly accept this excuse for they profess to know better but it has furnished a great opportunity for the business men who for several years have been trying hard to have some of the down town thoroughfares put in good shape. The down town streets are all in ward one and Mr. Braden states that for that reason he placed them on the street committee. Thus it is now up to the three to do something for the streets of the ward backed up by the president who if one will accept his own word for it is "the authority" of the lower branch and hence is always right.

Already Councilman Hayes has a scheme to test the relative merits of asphalt and tar macadam by having the remainder of Kirk street paved with tar macadam, a portion of it already being laid with asphalt.

Councilman Barry resides in the dustiest part of Middlesex street, and has always been a believer in repaving of that thoroughfare from Towers corner to the northern depot, and as there is already before the legislature a plan to abolish one of the grade crossings in Middlesex street, these two improvements may be brought about at the same time.

Councilman James Fleming has not been heard from on the street matter as yet. He is a resident of the corporation street portion of the ward having recently purchased a boarding house in John street.

Lower Merrimack and Central streets could each stand repairing, and there is now a fine opportunity for the down town members of the street committee to distinguish themselves.

TOLD HIS STORY

Independent Waste Paper Collector Talks

John Q. Betoncourt, the waste paper man, called at The Sun office today and told his side of the waste paper story, that was partly thrashed out at a meeting of the board of health yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Betoncourt began his story by saying that he is an American citizen and that his taxes this year amounted to $22, and before he had proceeded very far he interjected this question: "If the city deprives me of the opportunity of collecting the waste paper that I pay for, will the city support me and my family?

"I have been in this country for the last 19 years," he continued, "and every dollar I ever earned I earned it honestly. In 1900 the waste paper in Lowell was being burned on the dumps and I went to the board of health and arranged with the board to take care of the paper and the agreement was that I should pay $50 a year for the privilege. Later somebody came from out of town and made a bid for the paper and there were three bidders in the field, the out-of-town man, Mr. Gallagher and myself. I bid $150 and Mr. Gallagher bid $125 and the contract was awarded to him. After being awarded the contract Mr. Gallagher came to me and asked me what I would take for my outfit, including horse, team, shed, press and all. I told him he could have the whole business for $600.

"He offered me $300 and I laughed at him. Later he offered me $400, then $450, then $500 and finally he agreed to pay me $550. After agreeing to pay me $550 he asked me to go to the bank with him and have the bargain closed. I told him I preferred to do business on the spot and after further conversation he went away. That was the last I saw of Mr. Gallagher. He changed his mind and built a shed for himself which, I presume, he had a right to do.

"Upon learning that he did not intend to buy me out I went to the chief of police and asked if I could get a license that would give me authority to collect the waste paper at the stores and other places. Mr. Moffatt referred me to the clerk of the police board and that gentleman told me that a junk dealer's license would fit my case. I invested in a junk dealer's license and I still have it.

"I am collecting papers every day and I intend to continue to do business at the old stand. My attention, this morning, was called to the report in the papers of the meeting of the board of health yesterday afternoon at which the waste paper question was discussed.

"I collected at three stores this morning and I was assured that I could have the paper as long as I take care of it as well as I have in the past. I never stole paper as was insinuated at the meeting of the board of health yesterday and I would advise some people to be careful as to how they make statements."

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TRAFFIC HELD UP

Load of Coal Stuck in Tracks

A load of coal got stuck on the car tracks in Central street opposite Warren street about 3 o'clock this afternoon and traffic was at a standstill for about 20 minutes. There was plenty of snow on the street but the bareness of the rails did the trick. The sled on which the coal was piled high was marked "D. T. Sullivan," and the horses, a pair of large and willing sorrels, pulled until the high horse pulled a front shoe off.

The teamster picked up the shoe and a man with a load of wood volunteered to help him out of his predicament. He unhitched one of his horses and put him on in front of the pair that were stuck. When he was all ready he gave the word but it was plain to be seen that his horse did not take kindly to the position of leader. He lagged back and although the woodman meant well, he couldn't induce the horse to straighten out. The horses on the pole got a bit excited but the one that pulled his shoe off was a bit scared of himself and didn't get into his collar as determinedly as before he lost his iron.

As is always the case the man who volunteered his services was made the laughing stock of the crowd of 100 or more that were attracted by the line of cars and teams in that vicinity. They offered all sorts of suggestions to the man who was coaxing his horse to help the coal team along.

"Get a feed of oats, and see if you can coax him along," said one wag. "Build a fire under him," said another. "Call the horse ambulance," said a third, and by this time the man who had volunteered his services, was good and mad.

"I'll bet $10," he said, "that my horses will pull that load," and while he was still talking the pole horses started and so did the load. Then the condition became serious. Not only did the horses hitched to the coal pull the load but they pushed the lead horse along in front of them in such a way as to make the situation look very dangerous. The driver of the coal team wanted his horses to stop but they kept on going with the lead horse now in a very unenviable position and to add to the seriousness of the situation the lead horse was being pushed into collision with an electric car. The pole horses, however, stopped just in time to save him. It was a narrow escape and the woodman was heard to remark that his efforts to help another pretty nearly cost him his horse. The blockade was removed, but the crowd still continued to plague the man whose horse had had such a narrow escape.

TELEPHONE SYSTEM

INSTALLED IN THE CHELMSFORD CENTRE LINE.

The local division of the Boston & Northern railroad has placed a new telephone system on the Chelmsford Centre line in order to facilitate matters and save time in case of accidents, which heretofore have caused unnecessary delays.

Four telephones have been put in, one at the turnout at the junction of Sheldon, Daly and Chelmsford street, another at the Jenness street turnout, a third at Golden Cove and another at the centre. All of the telephones are connected with the office of the railroad in Merrimack square.

Heretofore in case of an accident cars were held up at turnouts, not knowing whether to go ahead or to wait for orders and in many instances considerable time was lost, but according to the new arrangement the conductor in charge of a disabled car can make his way to one of the telephones and send word to the office and a conductor who is held up on a turnout longer than he thinks is necessary can find out what to do by using the telephone. This system of telephones has been in use on the Lawrence line for several years and has been the means of saving considerable time and also of helping cars that were in distress.

"NO SCHOOL" SIGNAL

WAS RUNG TWICE NEEDLESSLY BY SUPT. WHITCOMB TODAY.

The "no school" signal rang both this morning and this afternoon and hundreds of parents are wondering why. The storm was at no time severe today and the children roamed the streets throughout the morning and again this afternoon for their second holiday this week while if the superintendent of schools were down town this afternoon he would have seen that the storm was not sufficient to keep the children off the streets or to interfere with the army of shoppers including the teachers of course. Parents have good reason to be indignant at such treatment but the teachers have no reason to object.

STILL MISSING

MARION PEOPLE THINK ABBE IS DROWNED.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Feb. 24—The search for Arthur James Abbe, who has been missing from the Knowlton cottage at Marion since Monday afternoon, when he started for a walk on the ice in the harbor, has so far proved vain. The Marion people are convinced that he fell through the thin ice at The Narrows and was drowned, and there is talk of securing a diver. Searchers spent this morning scouring the woods on the Wareham road without results. The young man's sister arrived at Marion this morning from Springfield.

STRIKING WEAVERS

WERE PAID OFF WITHOUT INCIDENT.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Feb. 24.—The striking weavers of the Dartmouth mill were paid off today without incident. The situation remains practically unchanged with the exception that seven twisters are not working.

18 YEARS IN PRISON.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Mrs. Della Lupo, who pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the first degree for shooting her husband was sentenced today to 18 years in the states prison for women at Auburn.

FAVORABLE REPORT

ON BILL TO LICENSE CUSTOM HOUSE BROKERS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The house committee on ways and means today authorized a favorable report on the Hill bill providing for the licensing of custom house brokers.

Assistant Secretary of the Treasury R. B. Armstrong and N. N. Stranahan, collector of the port at New York, spoke for the bill as did C. C. Rider and J. W. Devery, customs brokers of New York. The suggestion was made by the brokers, however, that the authority to grant such licenses given under the bill to customs collectors should be prescribed in such manner as to prevent the arbitrary exercise of such power. The bill was amended so as to require "reasonable notice" before a license granted should be revoked.

TOBIN IS SANE

GOVERNOR WILL ALLOW HIM TO BE ELECTROCUTED.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 24.—Governor Odell announced today that he has decided to permit Thomas Tobin to be electrocuted. The condemned man will suffer the death penalty on March 14, when the respite granted by the governor in December will expire. The medical experts reported that in their opinion the man is sane and was sane at the time he murdered Capt. Craft in a tenderloin resort in New York city.

PANAMA COMPANY

WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH CANAL PLANS.

PARIS, Feb. 24.—No obstacles will be placed by the Panama Canal company in the way of the consummation of the agreement with the United States for the sale of its concession now that the canal treaty has been ratified by the senate at Washington. The foreign office said today that there was no reason to anticipate that the court would grant any injunction which might be sought by a small minority of the company to prevent the transfer, the company and attorney-general having fully approved of the agreement with the United States.

BOURKE COCKRAN

WILL GET PLACE ON WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—W. Bourke Cockran, elected a member of the house of representatives yesterday to succeed Mayor McClellan, was suggested by members of the New York delegation in the house today to succeed Mr. McClellan as a member of the ways and means committee. Mr. Williams, the minority leader, will be requested to make this suggestion to the speaker.

JOSEPH E. SHAW

APPOINTED CHIEF OF DISTRICT POLICE.

BOSTON, Feb. 24—Gov. Bates today appointed Joseph E. Shaw of Lynn chief of the Massachusetts district police, vice Wade, deceased. George C. Nell of Lynn was named as assistant chief.

ONE MAN DROWNED

WAS WASHED FROM DECK OF SCHOONER.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Feb. 24—Two fishing vessels which reached port today announced the loss of one of the crew. On Feb. 22, Amos Smith, aged 23, of Port Matoun, N. S., was washed from the deck of the schooner Jennie B. Hodgdon and drowned.

William Sullivan, aged 31, of this city, was lost in a similar manner from the schooner Madonna on Jan. 19.

POOLROOM GUARD

IS NOT REGARDED AS OPPRESSION.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Magistrate Breen in Jefferson Market court yesterday dismissed the complaint of oppression made by James Kennedy against Patrolman Knittell and Manning and six other policemen who had been sent to watch a suspected poolroom in West Thirty-fifth street.

The place is known as the Duces Tecum club, and Kennedy asserted nearly all the officers and members are actors. Inspector Walsh had reason to believe that the place was a poolroom.

The magistrate said there was no evidence that the inspector desired to vex or annoy the complainant, and that the police were doing what they believed to be their duty.

PUBLIC BEQUESTS.

DEDHAM, Mass., Feb. 24—Public bequests aggregating $47,000 are provided for in the will of George B. Upton of Milton, which was admitted to probate here today. The estate will be held in trust for the benefit of the widow and at her death will be divided, $10,000 each to the Perkins Institution for the Blind, the Massachusetts General hospital and the Museum of Fine Arts, $5000 each to the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, Home for Aged Men and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

THE DOG SHOW.

BOSTON, Feb. 24.—All the judges were kept busy today at the bench show of the New England Kennel club trying to pick out the prize winners from the large number of dogs which were entered. The forenoon was devoted to judging terriers, cocker spaniels and hounds. W. T. Payne of Kingston, Pa., won four blue ribbons in the show for cocker spaniels, has Romany Rye taking two firsts and his Silver Blaze and Midkiff one each. R. J. McGaughey of Pembroke, Ont., took first honors in every class of black and tan terriers, the ribbons going to Selwonk Imperial and Selwonk Pearl.

WILL RESUME WORK.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 24.—Official announcement is made that the differences between the National Glass company and its employes have been amicably settled and work will be resumed at once at the following plants: Indiana Glass Co., Dunkirk, Ind.; Ohio Flint Glass Co., Lancaster, Ohio; Riverside Glass Co., Wellsburg, W. Va.; McKee-Jeannette Glass Works, Jeannette, Ind.; Rochester Tumbler Works, Rochester, Pa., and Cumberland Glass Co., Cumberland, Md.

BURNED THE HOUSE.

AMHERST, Mass., Feb. 24.—The head of a match which a servant girl was using flew off today and set fire to a lace curtain in the house owned by D. W. Palmer and the building was burned.

The house was occupied by E. R. Clark and Asa G. Sanderson. Total loss was $0000.

APPROPRIATION BILL

HAS BEEN INCREASED $447,578 OVER LAST YEAR.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The senate committee on appropriations today reported the legislative, executive, and judicial appropriation bill. It carries $28,786,233, a net increase over the house bill of $447,578. The principal amounts of increase are $89,300 for the department of commerce and labor of which $25,000 is for the bureau of corporations. For the temporary force of the war department an increase of $60,000 is made and $14,560 for the insular bureau. For the New Orleans mint an appropriation of $37,100 is made and $24,360 for the mint at Denver. An appropriation of $56,000 is made for the contingent expenses of the senate. The other increases are in small amounts.

The house provision relating to carriages is amended so as to provide that no portion of "this or any other act shall be available for carriage hire."

The word "personal" is eliminated so that no one beside the president and the head of a department can have a carriage.

OVERCOME BY GAS

TWO NEW YORKERS FOUND UNCONSCIOUS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—John Albert and his son, John Jr., were overcome by gas in the basement of their home, No. 326 East Twelfth street, yesterday. On the ground floor is the bakery of Albert and his son. The family lives in a flat above.

The odor of gas was noticed by tenants yesterday morning. Patrolman McGowan was notified. He went to the basement and found the men unconscious.

Dr. Pierson, of Bellevue hospital, was summoned and revived the father, but the son was taken to the hospital. The exact place of leakage could not be found, and employes of the Consolidated Gas company soon arrived to shut off the supply, as it was thought the break was somewhere in the main in the street.

QUICK RECORD

INDICTMENTS VOTED BY GRAND JURY.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 24—The grand jury has made another quick record in the investigation of a case growing out of the carriage drivers' strike when it voted indictments charging Thomas McLespy of St. Louis, Frank C. Gettings of East St. Louis and Michael Ryan of Chicago with assaulting a carriage driver. The chief of police had the prisoners brought to his office and received admissions that they had been connected with the Chicago and East St. Louis strike troubles.

MORTGAGE EXECUTED

TO COVER THE LOAN OF $4,600,000.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—A mortgage has been executed by the Louisiana Purchase Exposition company to the United States government to cover the loan of $4,600,000 authorized by congress to be made to the company. Secretary Shaw now has the mortgage in his possession. One million dollars will be paid over to the company in a few days, two millions will be paid in March, one million in April, and $600,000 in May. The mortgage covers the gate receipts of the fair and repayment of the amount loaned will begin in June. The mortgage provides that in event of the failure of the exposition company promptly to repay the amount loaned the government shall take charge of the fair and run it. The government agent in the collection of the money is Robert A. Fullerton of Iowa. He will receive one-tenth of one per cent. of the sum collected for his services.

CHIEF SUSPENDED

BECAUSE OF RECENT POOL ROOM RIOTS.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 24.—Because of the recent pool room riots at Madison, Ills., the mayor of that city has suspended Patrick McCambridge, chief of police, and Patrolman Street. Mayor Coyle appointed Sergeant Meehan acting chief of police. The three officers named were among those indicted and arrested for participation in the riots.

LEAVES PRISON

RUDOLPH WILL BE TRIED FOR MURDER.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 24.—William Rudolph, the Union, Mo., bank robber, pardoned yesterday from the Kansas penitentiary, by Gov. Bailey, left that institution at Lansing at 3 o'clock today in charge of Missouri officers. He started for Franklin county, Mo., where he will be tried for the murder of Chas. J. Schumacher, a detective.

FREE OF DUTY

GERMAN PIG IRON WILL BE ADMITTED INTO RUSSIA.

BRESLAU, Silesia, Feb. 24.—The General Anzeiger says that Russia, in consequence of the necessities arising from the war with Japan, has decided to admit German pig iron free of duty.

FREE FROM ICE

VESSELS IN NEWPORT HARBOR DISCHARGING CARGO.

NEWPORT, R. I., Feb. 24.—Newport harbor was free from ice today for the first time in three weeks and many vessels which had been frozen in for that length of time are now discharging their cargoes. The tug Solicitor broke up the ice in both the lower and upper harbors, thus releasing a large number of coal barges and lumber-laden schooners.

A strong easterly wind carried the floating ice to sea. The government is now using its wharfs and work along the water front has been resumed.

EDWARD TREVVETT DEAD.

UTICA, N. Y., Feb. 24—Edward Trevvett of this city, founder of the Commercial Travelers' Accident association of America, died at Westfield, N. J., this morning. He had been in ill health for several years.

TRAWLERS HELD FAST.

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., Feb. 24.—Fourteen trawlers, including the Boston boats, Ida Brocks and Mattie Brundage, are held fast in the ice in this harbor. Outside the ice field extends south as far as Billings Gate and four miles west from the Truro shore. The harbor is blocked more effectively than at any previous time during the winter.

A NEW TREATY

May be Arranged With France

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The state department confirms the Associated Press report from Paris that the president has been considering the possibility of arranging a treaty with France providing for the settlement of any future disputes between the two countries by resort to arbitration. It is further stated that similar propositions have been made to this government by the diplomatic representatives of Great Britain, Italy and Holland. Although earnestly favoring the principle of arbitration, President Roosevelt is indisposed to submit an arbitration treaty to the senate until he is assured of its approval. It is said that so far such assurance is lacking, so that while the arbitration propositions have been kept in mind at the state department, formal negotiations have not been initiated.

ARMY AND NAVY

ORDERS ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENTS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 24—These navy orders were issued yesterday:

Warrant Machinist J. H. Morrisson, to the works of Cramp & Sons Ship & Engine Building company, Philadelphia, for duty as assistant to the inspector of machinery at those works. Warrant Machinist R. Jeffares, from Cramp & Sons, Philadelphia, March 1, to the Des Moines.

Acting Gunner A. Baker, from further treatment at the naval hospital, Washington, and granted leave for three months.

Boatswain O. Deignan, from Pensacola, Fla., to the Brooklyn. Boatswain R. J. Teel, to the Hancock, New York.

Lieutenant Commander R. B. Higgins, commissioned from Oct. 11, 1903. Lieuts. I. F. Landis and W. G. Briggs, commissioned from Jan. 1. Lieut. W. D. Leahy, commissioned from Dec. 31. Lieuts. F. L. Sheffield and H. C. Dinger, commissioned from Jan. 1. Lieuts. L. S. Shapley, Z. H. Madison, C. Shackford, C. B. Hatch, A. E. Watson, commissioned lieutenant, junior grade, from Jan. 28.

Assistant Naval Constructors H. Williams and H. T. Wright, commissioned from Jan. 1.

The Adams is at San Diego. The El Cano left Shaikwan for Kouklang. The Buffalo and flotilla left Malta for Port Said. The Sterling left Norfolk for Charleston.

The Mayflower is at Charleston; the New Orleans, Raleigh, Wilmington, Albany and Ajax are at Shanghai.

The Don Juan de Austria is at Gibraltar; the Texas is at Key West, the Columbia at St. Thomas.

These army orders were issued yesterday:

The following changes in the stations and duties of officers of the medical department are ordered: Col. Alfred C. Girard, assistant surgeon general, as chief surgeon of the department of California to relieve Lieut Col. George H. Torney, deputy surgeon general, who is assigned to the command of the United States Army General hospital, Presido of San Francisco, Cal., to relieve Maj. William P. Kendall, surgeon. Maj. Kendall will proceed to Ord barracks, California.

Contract Dental Surgeon Hugh G. Voorhies, now on temporary duty at Plattsburg barracks, New York, is assigned to duty at Fort Hancock, New Jersey.

First Lieutenant Samuel M. Waterhouse, assistant surgeon, is relieved from duty on the transport Logan and will proceed to Fort Warden, Washington.

Maj. William E. Birkhimer, general staff, is relieved from duty in this city and will proceed to San Francisco, Cal., as assistant to the chief of staff of the Pacific division.

GEMS' GLITTER

MADE THE NURSE TAKE THEM.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Declaring that an irresistible impulse had caused her to steal the jewels of the wife of Postmaster-General Payne, in Washington, Mrs. Agnes French faced Magistrate Dooley in the Adams Street court, in Brooklyn, yesterday and frankly confessed her guilt.

"I was so dazzled with the sight of the diamonds and pearls which I saw in the safe in Mrs. Payne's room," said the woman to the magistrate, "that I simply could not refrain from taking the rings and the garnet necklace. First I tried them on, then I held them up so that the lights might shine on them.

"I cannot tell you what impulse moved me to commit the theft, but I took them and $100 from an $800 roll and left the house and took a train for New York.

"I shall go back to Washington. I can take care of myself very well when I get there."

Mrs. French, who is a woman of 37, and tall, was garbed becomingly and seemed intensely amused at all the fuss made over her case. Mrs. French waived examination and was held to await the action of the Federal grand jury in Washington. She was taken to the capital last night in the custody of a deputy United States marshal.

JOHN SYMONDS

CHOSEN GRAND MASTER WORKMAN OF A. O. U. W.

BOSTON, Feb. 24.—The balloting for president of the Ancient Order of United Workmen today resulted in the election of John Symonds of Lynn as grand master workman over A. L. Bateman of Norwood. Mr. Symonds was the nominee of the element which opposes the payment of the supreme lodge assessment and favors the general secession movement. The vote was 304 to 169. Before proceeding to the election of other officers, it was announced that the result of yesterday's vote on the total amount of the per capita tax to be paid to the supreme lodge was a practically unanimous decision to contribute $6200 yearly. No provision was made for extra assessments. The lodge refused to take from the table a motion which was made yesterday that the report of the November meeting declaring that a severance of financial relations with the supreme lodge had been ordered to be expunged from the records.

DIRECTORS RE-ELECTED.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The stockholders of the United States Leather company in annual session in Jersey City today re-elected the retiring board of directors.

RAILROAD OFFICIAL DEAD.

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 24.—Charles F. Mayer, formerly president of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, died today aged seventy. Mr. Mayer was for many years a leading financier in Baltimore and a large coal mine owner.

MORGAN'S BRIDE

Is Not Liked by His Mother

"WE'RE ANYTHING BUT PLEASED" SHE SAYS

Bride Cheered in Financial District

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—It isn't all joy in the Morgan household, No. 6 East Fortieth street, on account of George Dalton Morgan's Japanese bride.

Mr. Morgan's father, George Hale Morgan, and his stepmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Learned Mifflin Morgan, who was the widow of Benjamin Mifflin, of Pittsfield, Mass., and one of the fashionable members of the exclusive set at Lenox before she was Mrs. Morgan, are not at all pleased with the match. Mrs. Morgan said so frankly yesterday. She intimated that her husband would say so if his opinion were asked. She declared that she did not think the marriage romantic or the bride pretty, and that she thought it altogether a pity that her stepson had brought the young woman to America.

"I'm sure I don't know anything about her," said Mrs. Morgan with a shrug of her shoulders and a lift of her eyebrows. "I've seen her only about twice. Oh, yes, she has her meals at the family table, but—well, I have a good many engagements just now. I do not meet the young couple at table frequently.

BRIDE IS NOT PRETTY.

"I'm sure I can't see why Mr. Morgan thought it necessary to bring the girl to this country. She isn't pretty. She isn't attractive. She doesn't speak English, and she doesn't seem to understand it. The marriage does not appeal to me as pretty or romantic or anything else pleasant. I think it's rather a shame to subject the family to all this publicity and comment. We are anything but pleased about it. I do not like it at all, and I'm sure that Mr. Morgan's father does not like it."

Mrs. Morgan is a high-bred, aristocratic woman of the conservative school. She belongs to a family as old as any in Massachusetts. Her first husband was one of the most prominent men of his city. Her house at Lenox was one of the most exclusive of the Massachusetts colony, and her invitations were eagerly sought for the sake of the social prestige they gave. The idea of her stepson's unconventional foreign marriage therefore is incomprehensible as well as distasteful to her.

HEARD OF THAT $25,000.

"Do you know whether it is true that Mr. Morgan paid Yuki Kato's father $25,000, after the Japanese fashion?" Mrs. Morgan was asked.

"I've heard that he did," Mrs. Morgan replied. "And I have not heard the rumor denied. I have not asked Mr. Morgan about it myself."

"And is it true that Yuki Kato was a geisha before her marriage."

"I've heard that, too," said Mrs. Morgan, "and I have not heard that denied, either."

"Well, of course," consolingly commented Mrs. Morgan's visitor, "in Japan it is the custom of the country to pay the father, just as it is the custom here and in Europe for brides to bring their husbands a dowry, and it is quite honorable and customary for the young women of the best families in Japan to act as geishas."

Mrs. Morgan looked doubtful and shrugged her shoulders.

"I'm sure I don't know anything about the custom of the country, or anything else in connection with the marriage. I simply have heard that the girl was one of these geishas. I've seen almost nothing of her myself. They have their own rooms here. I leave them to themselves."

BRIDE CHEERED.

Mr. Morgan himself would see only a chosen few visitors yesterday. His servant has been furnished with a limited list of persons whom Mr. Morgan will receive, and all other callers are informed that Mr. Morgan is "very much engaged."

Yesterday he introduced his bride to the mysteries of New York in an electric motor carriage, hired for the occasion. The bride wore her Japanese kimono and obi for the trip, and smiled and nodded joyously at everything pointed out by her husband.

In Broad street the curb brokers caught sight of the bride, and recognizing her as the Japanese wife of the nephew of J. Pierpont Morgan, burst into enthusiastic cheers. The bridegroom lifted his hat and the bride clapped her hands and smiled gleefully. The young couple did not stop at what Yuki would call their "honorable uncle's office."

PRICES ADVANCED

DEALERS ARE SPECULATING IN FOODSTUFFS.

IRKUTSK, Siberia, Feb. 24.—The prices of provisions are rising by leaps and bounds. A local paper demands the adoption of measures against speculation in foodstuffs. A fortune of $100,000 was made in a few days by a man who bought up all the available felt used for lining, which he sold at an exorbitant price to the government for lining cars.

WM. C. WHITNEY'S WILL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—The will of the late William C. Whitney was filed for probate at Mineola, L. I., today. Harry Payne Whitney is made sole executor and trustee under the will. After legacies of $250,000 each to Adelaide and Bertie Randolph, stepchildren, have been deducted and provision made for an income of $50,000 per year for his daughter Dorothy, the bulk of the estate is left in trust. One-half of the income to go to Harry Payne Whitney, the oldest son, one-tenth to his daughter Pauline, now Mrs. Almeric Hugh Paget, one-tenth to his son Payne, and three-tenths to his daughter Dorothy.

GOMPERS SPOKE

Wants Meaning of "Conspiracy" Limited

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The house committee on judiciary today began a series of hearings on the Grosvenor bill to limit the meaning of the word "conspiracy" and the use of restraining orders and injunctions.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American federation of labor presented his views in favor of the measure before leaving for Porto Rico. A large delegation headed by James M. Beck, former assistant attorney general and Daniel Davenport of Bridgeport, Conn., were present today in opposition to it. S. Keigler of Pittsburg, represented the national building trades employers association, entered a protest in behalf of his association on the ground that existing laws were amply sufficient to enable employes to secure their rights and none too strong to secure to the employing classes the security of their property. It would destroy the personal liberty and free institutions of government, he declared.

Mr. Beck said he represented the building trades league of Chicago; the American anti-boycott association and the national association of marble dealers. Mr. Beck based his opposition on four fundamental reasons: First, the bill was ambiguous and would give rise to a flood of evils; second, it was uncalled for; third it would legalize unlawful, violent and criminal conspiracies in restraint of trade; and, fourth, its provisions were unconstitutional.

Mr. Beck declared that if enacted into law, the bill would effectually repeal the Sherman anti-trust law. Under it, it would be possible to form the Northern Securities Co., on the ground that such combination would be in furtherance of settlement of trade disputes. Mr. Beck quoted Mr. Gompers, of the federation of labor and Mr. Mitchell, of the Mine Workers association, as saying that they would not personally obey any injunction if they deemed it an interference with their rights as they saw them.

AGRICULTURAL BILL

WAS TAKEN UP IN THE SENATE TODAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24—When the senate met today Mr. Cullom from the committee on appropriations reported the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, giving notice that he would ask the senate to take it up tomorrow if the agricultural bill shall be disposed of by that time.

The house bill permitting those who make entry under the land laws to file proofs in courts of records at the county seats of the county in which they reside was passed, but Mr. Mitchell entered a motion to reconsider, saying he desired an opportunity to inspect the bill.

A resolution offered by Mr. Daniel directing the committee on judiciary to inquire into the expediency of enacting a law "providing against the acceptance, holding or receipt of the pay, allowance or emolument of any executive office, agency or commission by a senator or representative in congress while serving as such senator or representative," was adopted.

The senate then resumed consideration of the agricultural appropriation bill, continuing the reading of the committee amendments.

Mr. Hale made a point of order against the committee provision authorizing the secretary of agriculture to examine and report upon samples of seeds, to accept fees for the service and make certificate of the results of such inspection. His point was that this was general legislation and it was suggested that the certificates thus provided would be used for advertising purposes. The point of order was sustained.

The amendment made by the committee striking out the house provision appropriating $40,000 for the introduction of foreign plants and seeds was disagreed to.

IN THE HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The house today resumed consideration of the naval appropriation bill and Mr. Cooper continued his fight against the provision for a naval training station on the Great Lakes.

At the conclusion of Mr. Cooper's remarks Chairman Foss entered upon an elaborate defence of the board that selected the site.

IN GREAT DANGER

SIX CHILDREN AFLOAT ON CAKE OF ICE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Caught on a piece of ice which had broken from the mainland, six children had a thrilling experience at Setauket, L. I., yesterday. Lottie Howell, her brother, Eddie and sister Louisa, and Blanche Rogers, Adolph Johnson and Willie Walker thought it would be great fun to inspect the wreck of the schooner John Crockford, which lies, a broken hull, in the ice off Crane's Neck.

Many of the villagers had gone over the ice, and the children regarded the journey as not in the least dangerous. They had gotten within sight of the wreck, when suddenly there was a cracking, and the ice broke off squarely where the bay forms a channel, and soon they were floating far away.

Slowly the ice cake diminished in size as the waves battered against it, and the situation was becoming perilous when one of the fishermen saw their predicament, and with the biggest rowboat at his command hurried to their rescue.

The water was dashing up against their feet, and the ice cake was becoming so light that it would hardly bear their weight when their rescuer arrived.

Albert Van Brunt and George Post were caught on a smaller cake, and managed to jump to the mainland before it drifted away.

"FANSHAWE" SOLD FOR $450.

BOSTON, Feb. 24.—A copy of Hawthorne's famous book "Fanshawe" was sold at auction at Libby's today for $450. The book was secured by a collector of this city, after a keen competition with New York bidders. "The Sister Years," an octavo of eight pages, considered the rarest of Hawthorne's items, went to Frank Mair of New York city for $290.

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REP. O'BRIEN'S BILL

It Means Unlimited License Says the Author

Rep. Daniel J. O'Brien's bill for the granting of one license for every 500 inhabitants of the city of Lowell was heard by the liquor laws committee at the state house this morning. All the local members of the general court were present but the only speakers in favor of the bill were Reps. O'Brien and Timmons. Mr. O'Brien explained his ideas relative to the bill and said that it it was passed it would mean practically unlimited licenses for this city. He took up the different sections of the bill and treated them in detail.

Mr. Timmons also spoke in favor of the bill and said that he thought it would operate for the best interests of the city so far as the liquor question is concerned.

The opposition to the bill was on the part of M. J. Fanning and ex-mayor Johnson of Waltham. Both of these parties opposed the measure on the ground that it would tend to increase drunkenness in the city and they repeated the arguments that they advanced at the hearing last week on the same bill. The hearing was closed and the matter taken under advisement by the committee.

BANK OFFICIALS

Do Not Want the Law Changed

Before the committee on banks and banking at the state house today of which Rep. O'Brien of this city is secretary about fifty treasurers of banks in this state appeared in opposition to the bill to have deposits go on interest each month. They stated that the adoption of the bill would mean a lower rate of interest inasmuch as the expenses of the banks would be increased. More clerks would be needed and other items of expense would be greater and as a result the people would suffer because it would be necessary to reduce the rate of interest. They strongly advised leaving the law as it is and said that in its present form it is far better for the depositor than if the proposed bill is adopted.

NEW SHORTSTOP

Signed Today by Manager Lake

Manager Lake of the Lowell baseball team today signed Timothy Dwyer of Providence, R. I., to play shortstop and he will report here April 1. Dwyer played last season with the Woonsocket, R. I., team and had a batting average of .320 and a fielding average of .930 for the season. He has played all through Rhode Island and Connecticut and comes highly recommended by good judges. He is a teetotaller and does not use tobacco.

Manager Lake has heard nothing new from either Bressler or McLaughlin and is not much concerned over the reports regarding the pair.

BETTER SERVICE

Wanted by People of Chelmsford Centre

At the state house this morning a hearing was granted on the petition of residents of Chelmsford Centre that better street railway accommodations be granted them. Senator McKinley and the representatives from this city appeared in favor of the petition as did Messrs. Perham, Robbins, Sawyer and about twenty-five other residents of Chelmsford. They stated that they believed the locality was entitled to better service at the hands of the street railway company.

The officials of the company admitted that better service should have been given, but the severe winter had added greatly to the expense of the company, the cost of running the road has increased, and at the present time there is a tightness in the money market, all of which compelled the company to go slow in making any moves that would add to the cost of operating the road. When fair weather comes and conditions are different it was stated that the company will not hesitate to grant the request.

FUNERALS

MULLEN—All that was mortal of the late Margaret Mullen was consigned to its final resting place in the Catholic cemetery this morning. The deceased was an old and highly respected resident of North Chelmsford and there was a large attendance at the funeral, which took place from her late home in the town at 8.30 o'clock, and proceeded to St. John's church, where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at 9 o'clock by Rev. Fr. Schofield. The choir under the direction of Miss Josephine McCabe sang the Gregorian mass and during the service appropriate selections were rendered by different members of the choir.

There was a profusion of beautiful floral tributes in evidence, showing the esteem in which the deceased was held by her many friends and acquaintances. The bearers were Messrs. John and Thomas Donnelly, Joseph Quigley and Patrick McGovern.

The interment was in the Catholic cemetery in this city, where the last sad rites of the Catholic church were administered by Rev. Fr. Scheifeld. The funeral was under the direction of Undertaker Thomas J. McDermott.

MELLEN—The funeral of Emily B. Mellen will take place Thursday morning at 9 o'clock from St. Michael's church.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Lemay of 110 Ford street have returned from their wedding trip to Canada.

Mr. Fred Welch, formerly with O'Donnell & Gilbride, has accepted a position with Cookin Bros.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Annual Convention Held in This City

REV. GEORGE E. MARTIN EXTENDED GREETINGS

Rev. B. F. Kingsley Led Praise Service

The annual convention of the Lowell District Sunday School association opened this morning at the Kirk Street Congregational church. Seventy churches are included in this district which takes in Lowell and the surrounding towns. Owing to the inclement weather there was a small attendance when the convention opened at 10.20 o'clock. Rev. J. M. Craig, president of the association, was unavoidably delayed and the convention was opened by Henry M. Smith, the vice president of the association.

After the singing of the hymn "Hope and Exaltation," Rev. George E. Martin, D. D., pastor of the Kirk Street Congregational church, extended his greetings to the delegates present, commenting on the small number of delegates who had gathered in the church. In closing the reverend gentleman said: "I welcome you, for you are a body of people who are directing the thoughts of others. I am glad to welcome you to this church. It is yours; use it and all of its appointments."

Response was then made by Vice President Smith who stated that Rev. Mr. Craig was unable to be present, and that at the last moment he was notified that he would have to preside. The speaker spoke in a complimentary manner of the good work done by the pastor of this church towards the advancement of the Sunday school. He also touched on the advancement of religion and the intellect of the people.

The prayer and praise service was then conducted by Rev. B. F. Kingsley, pastor of the Highland M. E. church. He opened the service with the singing of "Faith and Consecration," after which he spoke on "Unconscious Influence," taking for his text the first verse of the eleventh chapter of Luke.

During the course of his remarks Rev. Mr. Kingsley said: "Prayer forms a very essential part in the preparation of every Sunday school teacher.

"We need to pray before we become competent teachers and we need to pray before we enter the class. We will be able to accomplish much more by this aid and the unconscious things go out from us. The unconscious things will go forth from our lives. Let us look to God for His blessing."

Prayer was then offered by Rev. Mr. Kingsley, after which brief reviews were given.

Miss E. M. Skelton gave a brief review on the home department and Mrs. Hugh Green spoke on the primary department. The field work was discussed by Miss Ida M. Gracher, secretary of the association. The normal department was not discussed, owing to the fact that Miss Helen M. Brown was unable to be present.

State Secretary Hamilton S. Conant was then introduced. Mr. Conant read the roll and then carried on a discussion of different events relative to the further advancement of the Sunday school work. Among those who took part in the discussion were Rev. J. A. McKnight of Dracut, Rev. F. M. Pickles of the Centralville M. E. church, Mrs. Hugh Green, Miss Ida Goucher and Miss E. M. Skilton, Rev. B. F. Kingsley of Highland M. E. church in speaking of the Sunday school said that there had been an increase of 33 1-3 per cent. in attendance. Rev. Mr. McKnight of Dracut said the Sunday school work was going along good, but that there was a weakness in the home department. Rev. Mr. Pickles of the Centralville M. E. church said that his Sunday school was well organized and the attendance was growing, while the collections were marvellous. H. M. Smith, superintendent of the Sunday school of the Kirk Street church, said that there was an attendance of 324 and that the work was progressing rapidly. Reports were also heard from Mrs. Metcalf of the Worthen Street M. E. church, Rev. N. W. Matthews of the First Primitive Methodist church and Rev. Isaac La Fleur of the French Baptist church.

Miss M. Gertrude Griggs of Worcester spoke on "The Plan and Possibilities of the Home Department." In the course of her remarks she said that the teachers must not be discouraged because there are but one or two eligibles for the home department in every community, for that one or two will be the foundation of the building up of the department. She said that it seemed a sin of omission that there was not a home department in every Sunday school. Continuing, she said: "Where you have small home departments there is no need of it remaining small. Wherever there is faith the department will increase. Get everyone in the Sunday school working for the Sunday school and the school will be increased and a home department can be organized and a success made of it. The making of a home department is simply the love of the Bible by getting others to love the Bible."

Shortly after 12 o'clock the session adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1.30 o'clock the session was resumed and opened with a thank offering by Rev. R. F. True, pastor of the Immanuel Baptist church. An address was then delivered by Miss Ada R. Kinsman, state secretary of the normal work. Miss Kinsman gave a very interesting outline of the normal work and the benefits derived, also how the normal work could be assisted and benefitted.

C. H. Daniels of South Framingham spoke on "How and Why the Teacher Should Study His Bible." This was followed by two short addresses on the financial outlook by Mr. Victor H. Meister, treasurer of the association and Rev. R. F. True, assistant secretary.

Following the addresses a hymn was sung and the offering held, after which Rev. N. W. Mathews gave the report of the nominating committee.

The introduction and installation of the new officers then took place, followed by an address by State Secretary H. S. Conant.

Children's exercises were conducted in the basement during the latter part of the afternoon by Mrs. Hugh Green and the following program was carried out:

Welcome song, children of the Worthen Street M. E. Sunday school. Words and music composed by Miss Helen M. Brown for this meeting.

Opening exercise, children of First Presbyterian Sunday school; under direction of Miss E. M. Skilton.

Duet, Florence Ramsay, Edna MacAdam.

Birthday exercise, children of First Trinitarian Congregational Sunday school; under direction of Mrs. E. Aines.

Questions on supplementary studies, class from First Baptist Sunday school; under direction of Mrs. S. T. Ford.

Duet, Frances Leggat, Bernice Rogers.

Chalk talk, Miss Lucy G. Stock.

Closing prayer, children of Worthen Street M. E. Sunday school.

The program for this evening will be as follows:

7.15 Organ recital.
7.30 Service of song, Rev. Edwin R. Smith.
7.45, "The Teacher's Goal," Rev. Tillman B. Johnson, Dorchester.
8.30. Singing; "Sing forth the glory of His name, make His praise glorious." Offering.
8.40 Address by the president.

THE SNOW STORM

COAL DEALERS WELCOMED IT WITH OPEN ARMS.

The coal dealers and others who have heavy teaming to do are welcoming the new snow storm with open arms. One coal dealer who has 22 horses of his own said to a Sun reporter that he had to hire 12 extra horses yesterday to assist in pulling coal. "It was a hard day on horses," he said, "and a week of such hard hauling would put them all in the stables." This same dealer is authority for the statement that coal is very scarce in Lowell. Some of the mills are short, and although there is lots of coal in Boston, traffic has been so tied up on the steam railroads that less than half the usual quantity has been coming to Lowell. Fearful that the snow would turn to rain before the noon hour the coal dealers had their teams in the streets bright and early this morning and were delivering coal while the city was still wrapt in slumber. It was also noticed that the wood and produce teams from the country arrived early.

ARMATURES NEEDED

STREET RAILWAY COMPANY IS HANDICAPPED.

The sight of one of the yellow snow plows belonging to the Haverhill division of the Boston & Northern railroad brings to light the fact that the street railway company is short of cars, that is cars fitted with armatures.

The Haverhill division needed some things from the Lowell power house today and while they had to have some car to pull the flat car they could not spare one of the passenger or service cars owing to the fact that all that are in working order are needed on the local lines. Therefore it was necessary to run a plow over the road.

The same state of affairs exists in this city also. There are quite a number of extra cars on hand, but there is a shortage of armatures, many of them having been burned out during the recent wet weather, and the demand for armatures is much greater than the supply.

One thing which saved the local division of the road was that they had a number of armatures on hand with which to equip the big double truck cars. But many of the double truck cars have been neglected in order to keep the smaller cars going. Many of the big cars have but two motors and it is the intention of the road to equip these with four motors and a number of extra motors were ordered from the general electric company for this purpose. But for this fact the road might have been crippled to a certain extent.

The local division has ordered more armatures and intend to keep the cars going on schedule time in spite of the bad weather which has caused considerable overtime work and expense.

BIGAMY CHARGE

MAN SERVING TIME AT DEER ISLAND IS ACCUSED.

BOSTON, Feb. 24.—Police Inspector Hall of Baltimore arrived here yesterday with a requisition for Patrick J. Clifford, who is wanted in that city on the charge of bigamy. Clifford is finishing a term at Deer Island, where he was sent last August for obtaining $100 by false pretences in a real estate transaction. He will be released tomorrow.

Clifford married Isabella Brown of New York in that city two years ago. He married Grace Little of Washington without obtaining a divorce from wife No. 1, and the latter caused his arrest. As he seemed to be dying of consumption that court paroled him rather than hasten his death by putting him into prison. While on parole he went to Baltimore and married Elizabeth A. Richardson. He soon left her and came here.

STEAMSHIP LINES

HAVE AT LAST REACHED AN AGREEMENT.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—It was announced today that the various steamship lines in the Mediterranean service have at last come to an agreement to end the steerage rate war that has been on for two months, the new agreement providing for a division of the steerage business between the various lines and restoring the old agreement as to differentials in rates, with some slight concessions.

The lines affected are the Fabre, the Italian line, La Veloce Navigazione a Vapore line, the Anchor line, the Prince line, the Hamburg-American line and the North German Lloyd line.

Under the old differential agreement the two German lines made a steerage rate of $30 between New York and Mediterranean ports, the smaller lines making a rate ranging from $25 to $27. Rate cutting was started and for some time rates have been demoralized.

Daily conferences held by representatives of the lines interested for over a week have now resulted in an agreement which will be ratified at a meeting of the officials of the several lines in a day or two.

MAJOR MACHIDA

HAS BEEN RECALLED BY HIS GOVERNMENT.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 24.—Among the passengers on the Empress of China which has just sailed for Yokohama, was Maj. Machida, military attache to the Japanese legation at St. Petersburg, recalled by his government. Minhui Cho, recently Korean minister at Washington, also was a passenger. Eighty-five Chinese were deported after unavailing efforts to accomplish immigration into the United States.

GREEKS ROBBED

MADE TO HAND OVER THEIR SAVINGS.

MODENA, Utah, Feb. 24.—Three armed bandits entered an outfit car in which fifteen Greek railroad laborers were sleeping and at the point of revolvers compelled them to hand over nearly $3000, representing their savings for months. The highwaymen escaped.

FATALLY WOUNDED

CHINESE LAUNDRYMAN ROBBED AND BEATEN.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24—Dan Lee, a Chinese laundryman was found today in his laundry on Second avenue, fatally wounded, a rifled money drawer and evidences of a struggle indicating that his injuries had been inflicted by robbers. He died in a short time without giving any description of his assailants, though he muttered several times that boys had shot him.

The police are searching for the boys who are said to have been in the laundry a short time before Lee was attacked.

ASSETS RELEASED

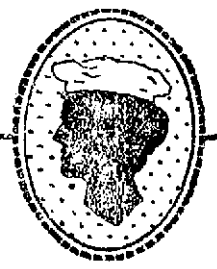
BANK RECEIVERS CAN MAKE A SETTLEMENT.

SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Feb. 24—By several decrees handed down by Chief Justice Knowlton of the supreme court a large amount of the assets of the suspended Hampden Trust company of this city are released and the receivers are permitted to begin the settlement of the bank's affairs. Among the funds released is one of $100,000 in bonds and commercial paper held by the First National bank of New York to secure a loan to the Hampden Trust company of $81,500. At the North American Trust company, New York, $15,529 can also be used by the receivers.

The money and paper at both institutions were attached by creditors when the Hampden company failed early in the winter.

RICHARD STRAUSS ARRIVES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Among the passengers who arrived today on board the steamer Moltke were Poultney Bigelow and Richard Strauss, the composer.



Cleveland's Baking Powder

is the acme of economical leavens. It takes less for the baking; besides it turns the food out perfect every time, so that there are never wasted materials because of badly risen, uneatable biscuit, bread or cakes.

SPECIAL NOTICES

RAILWAY MAIL and custom house examinations soon to take place. Send for circular. Room 16, No. 65 Merrimack St.

MISS M. COGNAC, 28 Aiken street, room 23—Cloak and dress maker; perfect work and fitting guaranteed and at moderately low price.

DOUBLE STAMPS, Light Blue, all this week; 100 with Baking Powder; 40 with Tea and 20 with Coffee. Dickson's Tea Store, 68 Merrimack street.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The Sun is on sale every day at both news-stands of the Union Station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

CARDS OF THANKS

CARD OF THANKS—We, the undersigned, wish to express our heartfelt gratitude to all our friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us by acts of kindness and words of consolation on the occasion of the death of our beloved sister, Susie.

MICHAEL BIRMINGHAM,
ELIZABETH BIRMINGHAM,
KATHARINE BIRMINGHAM.

POULTRY

POULTRYMEN—To make hens lay feed green cut bone; nothing like it; cut fresh daily. Adams Supply Co., 40 Middlesex street, room 18, Lowell.

WANTED

CASH for Trading Stamps Wednesday till 9; Thursday till 6 o'clock; Friday noon. Swan building, 20 Central street, room 1.

WANTED—To buy second-hand refrigerator with triple sliding doors. Address 53 Wamesit street.

WANTED—Dress making, children's clothing a specialty. Apply Mrs. J. M. Brown, 267 Appleton street, Lowell.

WANTED—For cash, a place 5 to 20 acres close to a city and electrics. Call or write to the Arlington house, Lowell. Mr. Dalton. Call 6 to 9 p. m.

TO LET

TO LET—House, barn and land; also for sale, beach wagon in good running order, two tons of hay and about 14 cords of manure, lots of hen netting. Inquire A. Beauchaud, 25 Hadley street, Middlesex Village.

TO LET—Best located room in city for one or two; modern conveniences. Also smaller room, reasonable. No. 271 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

TO LET—Two unfurnished rooms, hot and cold water, use of bath, also use of stable if desired. Inquire 299 Pine street.

TO LET—Pleasant furnished room, heat, gas and bath, centrally located. 522 Central street.

TO LET—Carpenter shop, 2000 feet floor space, 29 Middle street, second floor. Apply to C. J. Connell at J. W. Bennett & Co.'s office, 564 Middlesex street.

TO RENT—A lovely four room tenement, good location, $8. G. P. Walker, 961 Middlesex street.

TO LET—A 6-room tenement with all modern improvements. Apply at 227 School street.

TO LET—Queen street, three rooms, $7; Concord street, five rooms, $8; Centralville, five rooms, $7.50; two rooms, $4.50; other tenements and stores to rent. T. H. Elliott, 64 Central street.

TO LET—Small tenements, 634 Broadway; rent low.

MONEY TO LOAN

PAWNBROKER—Money to loan; money loaned on all valuable articles, clothing; rates reasonable. A. Stein, 343 Middlesex street, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 5, Swan building, 20 Central street.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security. Boarding houses, retail merchants and salaried people; easy payments; lowest rates in the city. Merrimack Loan Co., 25 Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters, boarding houses, without security; easy payments; largest business in 42 principal cities. Tolman, room 26, Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. E. Lanhas, room 9, Barristers hall.

CAPT. GOODRICH

NOMINATED TO BE REAR ADMIRAL.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24—The president today sent to the senate the following nominations:

Rear admiral, Captain Caspar F. Goodrich.

WILL PAY INTEREST.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Directors of the Texas and Pacific Railway company have decided to pay the interest on the second mortgage income bonds amounting to five per cent on $25,000,000. A few weeks ago it was announced that the interest payment would be passed. An official explanation of the change of plan states that: "In view of the fact that surplus earnings in excess of the interest charges had been made it was concluded to be for the interest of the company and of the security holders that provision should be made for the payment of this interest."

MILITIA WITHDAAWN

FROM THE BURNED DISTRICT IN BALTIMORE.

BALTIMORE, Md., Feb. 24—Today the city police department is in entire charge of the burned district, the remaining companies of militia that were on duty having been withdrawn. Mounted men patrol the streets and a policeman is on guard at each corner. All the dangerous spots have been barricaded to keep pedestrians at a distance.

The stock exchange resumed business today for the first time since the fire. The sessions will be held in the builders' exchange.

UNITED WORKMEN

ELECTED STATE OFFICERS IN BOSTON TODAY.

BOSTON, Feb. 24—The election of officers of the Massachusetts grand lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen was scheduled for today with a contest for every office. The voting was carried on with unusual interest because of the fact that the election was to decide practically the question whether this lodge would secede from or remain with the supreme lodge of the United States.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS—State House, Boston, Feb. 23, 1904. The Committee on Mercantile Affairs will give a hearing to parties interested in the petition (with accompanying House bill No. 995) of H. H. Arthur for legislation to provide for the regulation and inspection of electric wires in cities, at room No. 431, State House, on Tuesday, March 1st, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. H. M. Heath, Chairman. Frank Sieberlick, Clerk of the Committee.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS—State House, Boston, Feb. 23, 1904. The Committee on Federal Relations will give a hearing to parties interested in House Bill No. 132, relative to resolutions amending the National Constitution so congress may regulate the hours of labor; and Senate Bill No. 19, relative to the passage of resolutions favoring the election of United States senators by the people, at room No. 428, State House, on Friday, Feb. 26th, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. Charles E. Ward, House Chairman. John H. Lowney, Clerk of the Committee.

To the Honorable, the Justices of the Superior Court, within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents William L. Sheridan of South Framingham in said county, that he was lawfully married to Ellen M. Sheridan, now of parts unknown, at Southboro, said commonwealth, on the 25th day of March, A. D. 1897, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said Ellen M. lived together as husband and wife in this commonwealth, to wit, at South Framingham, said commonwealth that your libellant has always been faithful to his marriage vows and obligations, but the said Ellen M. being wholly regardless of the same, at South Framingham on or about the 2nd day of June, A. D., 1900, utterly deserted your libellant and that said utter desertion has continued for more than three consecutive years next prior to the filing of this libel.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Ellen M. also there was born to your libellant of this marriage, Evelyn M. Sheridan, September 19th A. D., 1898, and your libellant prays that said minor child may be committed to his care and custody.

Dated this 13th. day of February, A. D., 1904.

WILLIAM L. SHERIDAN.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, ss.

Superior Court, Feb. 24, A. D. 1904.

Upon the libel aforesaid, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said county, on the first Monday of April next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell in the county of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the last known residence of the libellee, that she may then and there show cause, if any she have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.
Attest,

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 23, 1904. The Joint Committee on the Judiciary will give a hearing to parties interested in the petition (House No. 648) of John J. Lynch for legislation to expedite the trial of civil causes in the Superior court appointed thereto from the lower courts; petition (House No. 689) of Clarence W. Rowley for the appointment of special justices of the Superior court to facilitate the trial of causes; petition (Senate No. 90) of William F. Dunn for legislation for the better prevention of corruption in the obtaining of employment; resolve (House No. 132) to provide for the appointment of a committee to make an investigation and report what legislation is needed to relieve the Superior court from its present congestion of business; and petition (Senate No. 10) of Joseph J. Feely for legislation that will provide for the advance of certain actions for speedy trial; at room No. 227, State House, on Thursday, March 3, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. Wm. F. Dunn, Chairman. Wm. A. Kelley, Clerk of the Committee.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 20, 1904. The Committee on Banks and Banking will give a hearing to parties interested in Senate bill No. 25, providing for the consolidating of Co-operative banks; also Senate bill No. 123, that Conway Savings bank may do business in offices with Conway National bank; also House bill No. 711, to change name of Manufacturers Trust Co.; also House bill No. 843 to increase state revenue to regulate real estate investments to prohibit Trust companies from taking real estate mortgages; and House bill No. 1046, to simplify methods of doing business in Co-operative banks, at room No. 448, State House, on Friday, Feb. 26, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. E. L. Osgood, Chairman. Daniel J. O'Brien, Clerk of the Committee.

HELP WANTED

WANTED—An experienced saleslady of good address. Only those who can furnish the best of references need apply at rooms 2 and 3 Associate building.

WANTED—Experienced table girl. Clam Shell, 544 Middlesex street.

AGENTS WANTED—Ladies or gentlemen, good hustlers, can make from $15 to $25 per week. Apply 159 Middlesex St., room 31.

WANTED—A good man on the farm or man and wife. S. P. Pike, corner Middlesex and Howard street.

WANTED—A coal and wood teamster. Inquire at Sun office.

EARN $50 TO $100 monthly corresponding for newspapers; $5 a column for work in spare time; no canvassing; send for particulars. Northern Press Syndicate, room 301, Lockport, N. Y.

WANTED—A clerk thoroughly posted in the paint business. Address with references L. M., Sun office.

WANTED—Salesmen, salary and commissions; large sales and big profits. Call the Arlington house, room 29, Lowell, 6 to 8 p. m.

WANTED—An experienced cook at the Quincy house, 53 Lee street.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WANTED—By young man of good address, employment of any kind in city; will give $5 to anyone obtaining me good position. Address B. A., Sun office.

WANTED—Situation in small family as housekeeper; no objection to country. 129 Ford street, near Moody street.

WANTED—A situation by a middle-aged woman at light housework or would mind children able to attend school or would wash dishes in a hotel or restaurant. Inquire at 49 Crosby street.

NURSE—Capable, experienced, can be obtained at reasonable terms at 38 Jones avenue, Dracut Centre.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—16-foot naphtha launch, cheap; good condition. Inquire 22 Grove street.

FOR SALE—One nearly new pung, one good light sleigh, cheap for cash. 90 Eighteenth street.

FOR SALE—A square piano, cheap, easy payments, room 15, 65 Merrimack street.

FOR SALE—New milch Jersey cows. Apply A. Felix, 389 Lakeview avenue.

LAUGHING WATER, Bedella, Pretty Little Dinah Jones, Just Kiss Yourself Goodbye, Oh, Didn't He Ramble, and 100 other popular songs, with music, postpaid for 10c. Address Albert Brooks, 2146 Fifth avenue, N. Y.

FOR SALE—A boarding house, rooms all occupied at present, at 228 Appleton street; if sold at once will let it go at $150; there are 12 rooms in the house and all furnished; sickness the only cause for wanting to sell. Inquire at 238 Appleton street.

FOR SALE—Very large boarding and lodging house, centrally located, very near P. O., all modern conveniences, hot and cold water, steam heat, gas; best location in city; doing big business at present. Further particulars at Sun office.

FOR SALE—Drug store, centrally located, well stocked. Inquire at Sun office.

FOR SALE—Cheap, a good double travers runner sleigh. Inquire at 28 Cross street.

FOR SALE—Fine double sleigh, built to order, nearly new; owner having no further use for it will sell cheap. Inquire at Sun office.

FOR SALE—To mend your stove bricks use Eagle Stove Clay. Hardware and stove dealers sell it in three size packages.

FOR SALE—Horse and team, value $300, may be had for $175; private family, preferred. Apply Sun office.

FOR SALE—A variety store situated in a good business neighborhood, established trade of seven years; an exceptionally fine place for one who dressmakes; poor health of owner reason for selling. For all particulars, terms, etc., inquire of E. R. Donovan, room 1, Swan block, 20 Central street. It may be your opportunity.

RUBBER STAMPS at wholesale prices; 1-in. one line stamps 15c; 1½ in., 20c; 35c ink pads, 25c; 25c ink pads, 15c; 50c linen markers, 25c; business stamps, 15c per line. J. M. Fellows, 158 Merrimack St.

MISCELLANEOUS

379 BRIDGE STREET, White Sewing Machine Co.—Ladies, before buying try our Automatic drop machine; we have several other makes; you are sure to get suited; good second hand machines on hand; give us a call.

TRADING STAMPS GIVEN AWAY—We are giving 80 with our 60c tea, 60 with our 50c tea, 30 with our 35c coffee; we have hundreds of ladies tell us that our tea and coffee are the best in the city; come and try it; one cup will convince you; also we have fresh creamery butter every week. The Elwood Tea & Coffee Co., Davis square.

MISS UPHAM, clairvoyant and card reader; cards read 25c. 81 Merrimack St., corner John.

GLORIA is the greatest family beverage; gives weakly, nervous women vigor and health. Boyle Bros., agents. Tel.

MADAM LENORE—Clairvoyant card reader; also gifted with drawing power. 71 Tyler street.

MMe. WATSON EMERSON—Clairvoyant and psychological readings at 474 Central street, also instruction in elocution and physical culture.

WOOD GIVEN AWAY—2½ miles out. Apply to depot master, Wamesit station. Must be cut and taken away at once.

DRESS GOODS REMNANTS, cheap, from the Merrimack woolen mills. Corner Store, Lakeview avenue and Pleasant street, Navy Yard.

HORSEMEN, ATTENTION!—We are now prepared to shoe your horses in the most satisfactory and scientific manner, especially horses lamed by incorrect shoeing, at the reasonable low price of 4 new shoes for $1.00; we also keep in stock a line of hand-made shoes turned by L. J. Padlen, at the Fair Grounds shoeing forge, 1054 Gorham street, Lowell, Mass.

PIANO OR ORGAN LESSONS at your home; special pains taken with children or advanced pupils; will accompany any instrument for entertainments; years of experience. Mabel Rundall, Chelmsford Centre.

STOVES—New and second-hand bought, sold and exchanged. Reliable Furniture Co., 195 Middlesex street.

LIMBURG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 1128 Bridge street. Telephone.

MUSIC—German zither music furnished at reasonable rates for concerts, dinner parties, church entertainments and home socials. John C. Hansen, Bon Marche studio.

IF YOU WANT your mattresses made over at your home call at 940 Central St.

BUY YOUR HAT at Delorme's, where you can have it cleaned free of charge for one year; Repairing a specialty. 261 Middlesex street.

SAVE MONEY by buying your wall papers and having your paperhanging done at D. Baker & Co's, 150 Gorham St. We will paper your room with gilt paper for $2. Good workmanship guaranteed; send postal, will call with samples.

NEW AND SECOND HAND FURNITURE bought and sold; also furniture moving done in a careful manner; always big bargains at our store. McGauvran Bros., Merrimack St., opp. City Hall.

LADIES—Dr. LaFranco's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination; used by 200,000 women; price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFranco & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Saturday afternoon on Pawtuckettville car or on Woodward avenue, pocketbook containing $5 bill and change, also papers. Reward at Sun Office.

LOST—Sunday, black and white fox terrier dog; will answer to the name of Spot. Finder return to 146 Church St. and receive reward.

LOST—Lady's steel bag Saturday evening containing $23 and pair rosary beads, between Kennedy's butter market and Church street. Finder leave at James Dolch's grocery store for reward.

LOST—A pocketbook between old Meadow road and Varnum avenue. Reward at Sun office.

LOST—Roll of bills between Oaklands and Merrimack square on Lawrence street car or at Union bank building. Finder please leave at Sun office for reward.

FOUND—Monday, hat car terrier. Owner may have by proving claim and paying for adv., 204 Moody street, after 6 p. m.

LOST—Bunch keys yesterday afternoon between Highland school and Ginter grocery store. Finder please leave at Sun office and receive reward.

SAILOR STABBED

American is in Critical Condition

ST. THOMAS, D. W. I., Feb. 25.—A fight occurred here Tuesday afternoon between sailors from a Spanish and an American warship which resulted in the wounding of several men and an ultimate victory for the Americans.

The fight originated when a seaman from the United States cruiser Columbia jostled a sailor from the Spanish cruiser Rio de la Plata as he passed him in the street. The Spaniard was with a companion from his ship, as was the American sailor, and all the men were on shore liberty. The Spaniard drew a stiletto and seriously wounded the American who had brushed against him. Other men from the Columbia who were on shore gathered around their companions and attacked the two Spaniards, who defended themselves with their knives and succeeded in slightly wounding several other Americans. They finally escaped, ran to the wharf and jumped into the water. They were picked up by a harbor boat and taken on board their ship. The wounded American sailor is in a hospital in a critical condition.

The Rio de la Plata left here yesterday. Her departure has been delayed to effect repairs to damages sustained in coming into collision with the Nova Scotia brigantine Peerless.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

BOSTON & MAINE R. R.

Corrected to October 12, 1903. Trains leave Merrimack street depot, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.43, 6.22, x6.42, *7.45, *8.50, *9.40, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, x5.44 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.45 a. m.

Trains leave Middlesex street station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.46, 6.28, *6.30, x6.45, w6.50, 7.01, *7.24, 7.31, *7.48, w*8.00, *8.57, w9.25, *9.50, w10.50, 11.05, *11.43 a. m.; w12.05, 12.14, w12.45, 1.44, *1.56, w2.30, x3.03, w*3.10, *3.47, w3.55, 4.28, w5.05, 5.22, x5.49, w*6.15, *5.23, w7.00, 7.29, w9.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 6.39, 7.24, w8.15, 8.48, 9.20 a. m.; w12.05, w4.05, 4.25, w5.30, 5.55, w8.00 p. m.

For Lawrence, 6.28, w6.50, x7.31, w8.30, w9.25, w10.50 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, w2.30, w3.55, w5.06, w6.15, w7.00, w9.25, wq11.25 p. m. Sundays, w8.13 a. m.; w12.05, w5.30 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.31 a. m.; w12.05, 1.28, o2.30, o4.55, w5.06, 5.28 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.28, 6.50, x7.31, 8.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, w3.55, w5.06, 6.15, 7.00, 9.25, q11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m.; 12.05, 5.30 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.28 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.28, 6.50, x7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.28, 6.50, x7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.06 p. m.

For Skowhegan, 8.30 a. m.

For Bangor, Belfast and Rockland, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For St. John, N. B., Halifax, N. S., 5.06 p. m. (5.06 does not run Saturdays.) SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via steamer from Portland,) on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 12.05 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport, Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland,) Tuesday and Friday at 5.06 p. m.

Last trip of season Oct. 30, 1903.

For Woburn, 6.28, 7.01, *7.48, 11.05 a. m.; 1.44, 4.28 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.48 a. m.; 4.25, 5.58 p. m.

For Ayer Junction, Stations on W. N. & P. and Fitchburg divisions, 7.07, 11.35 a. m.; 5.01 and 5.42 p. m. SUNDAYS, 3.16 p. m.

For Stations on W. N. & P. division, Nashua to Portland, Me., 9.03 a. m.; (3.40 p. m. to Rochester only.)

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.03 a. m.; 1.00, 3.40, 5.39 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.03 a. m.; 3.40 p. m. SUNDAYS, to Hillsboro, 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.30, 9.03, 9.32, *10.20, a. m.; *12.00, 1.00, *1.39, 3.40, *5.39, 6.27, *8.10, *9.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 10.02 a. m.; 2.00, 6.02, *8.10, *9.10 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon, White River Junction, 7.30, *9.39 a. m.; *12.00, *1.39 (to Franklin only,) 5.40, *8.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.) Claremont and Claremont Junction, 7.30 a. m.; 1.39 p. m.

For Stations on White Mt. Division, 9.39, *10.20 a. m.; 1.39 p. m. (5.39 p. m. to Plymouth); *8.10, 9.24 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River, *10.39 a. m.; *1.39, *8.10 p. m.

For Montpelier, Essex Junction, Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal via Central Vermont line, *9.39 a. m.; *12.00, *8.10 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, via Montreal and Boston Air Line, *10.39 a. m.; *9.10 p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth and Sherbrooke, *10.39 a. m.; *9.10 p. m. (daily except Saturdays.

References:
aVia Wakefield Junction.
*Express. bDaily.
qWednesdays and Saturdays only.
wVia Western Division.
xVia Bedford. zVia Wilmington Junc.

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NEWTON POLICE

Get After the Express Companies

NEWTON, Feb. 25.—Mayor Alonzo R. Weed of this city, with the co-operation of the police department, last night dealt the first blow in his campaign against the alleged illegal traffic of liquor in Newton, dispelling any remaining doubt as to his intention of establishing its reputation as a "dry-city," in the strictest interpretation of the award.

Patrolmen especially selected for their acuteness last night visited each of the 20 or more express offices throughout the city and made a rigid examination of the receipt books and signatures obtained from persons to whom liquor is delivered.

Each company was forced to lay bare for inspection the receipts secured for the past two months, and the officers detailed to do the work took a record of the names and addresses of all persons who had received liquor during that time, the amount and kind. That the advent of the officers created a sensation is putting it mildly.

There were protests, and loud ones, from some of the proprietors who disputed the right of the officers to look at their books, but the police would brook no refusal. Likewise there were plenty of excuses forthcoming. In the midst of the consternation occasioned by the sudden visit of the police, books in a number of cases could not be found. But like the protests the excuses proved of no avail, and by dint of threat and persuasion the officers succeeded in securing what they were in search of.

To take care of the express companies doing business in this city, but having no office here, other men were chosen. These went on to the street and lay in wait for the delivery wagons of such companies. The drivers were held up and made to show their receipt books. Their loads were carefully inspected and the marks on all packages thought to contain liquor noted.

Whether or not the police will apply for search warrants for certain of the offices or whether or not any of the proprietors of the express companies will be hauled into court was a question which the police refused to answer. The names secured will be turned over to the mayor, and upon his recommendations is said to rest the fate of some of the men who have long been suspected of carrying on an illegal business.

CAMPHOR ADVANCING.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Camphor is rapidly advancing in price owing to the war in the far east. About a week ago it was 77 cents a pound by the barrel. It is now 85 cents and is said to be extremely scarce even at that figure.

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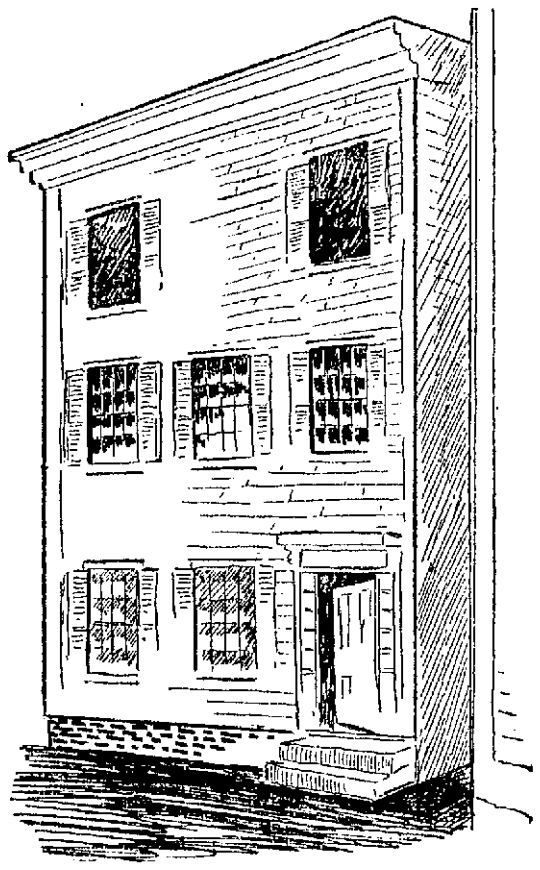
SCENE OF EVICTION

Windows Put Back and Doors Replaced



THE BLOCK FROM WHICH THE WOMEN WERE EVICTED. THE WINDOWS OF THE TENEMENT HAVING BEEN REMOVED.

In Hill's Tenement in Charles Street From Which Two Aged Women Were Evicted—Shock and Exposure May Kill Mrs. Twohey

The report of the eviction of two aged women from a dingy and cheerless two-room tenement at 129 Charles street which appeared in The Sun last evening has aroused the indignation as well as the sympathy of those who read it and the man who took the windows out so that the cold wind might sweep in on the shivering forms of his aged tenants did not glorify himself in the eyes of the community.

The victims of the eviction were Mrs. Maria Twohey, aged 80 years, and Mrs. Margaret McHugh who has passed the half century mark. Hosea B. Hill owns the house and his son, Harry C. Hill, who collects his father's rent, supervised the taking out of the windows and the removal of the doors. He said he found such a step necessary because the women refused to pay the rent which was about $6 a month.

When The Sun reporter called at the house yesterday afternoon he found the two old women shivering in the miserable tenement. Mrs. Twohey was seated on a bundle of bedclothing that had been made ready for the truckman who had volunteered to remove the old ladies to the homes of friends who will care for them until such time as other arrangements for their comfort are made. It was a sad night, but not sufficiently sad to stir the heart of the landlords's agent.

EVICTION MAY KILL HER.

Patrolman John J. Crowley was rendering what assistance he could. Small boys in the street could not resist the temptation to throw snowballs through the open windows and not until the officer threatened them with arrest did the urchins disperse. The wind was blowing and the blustering snow found its way into the dismal room covering what little bedclothing and bits of furniture were there with its white coat.

With her head in her hands Mrs. Twohey sat on the bundle of clothing lamenting her sad fate. Her life, she said, had been filled with sorrow and pain and to be driven out by the process of eviction, in her old age, she said was more than she could stand. Mrs. Twohey walks with the assistance of a cane and her eyesight is almost gone. She has suffered misfortune after misfortune and her friends fear that this will end it all.

She had but recently taken up her home with the McHugh woman who, when she is able, works in the mill. Because of her advanced age, however, she is not able to work more than two or three days a week and earns barely enough to keep the wolf from the door and too often is her cupboard empty and her heart sore.

The water has been shut off in the miserable tenement for weeks past and the two women were without food or fuel. Mrs. Twohey's story of the eviction was in substance as follows:

MRS. TWOHEY'S STORY.

"Last Saturday night two men called here and took the door that opens into our room off its hinges. The night was cold and we suffered much. I fastened my bedroom door with a clothes-line so that if the two men came again they could not get in and take what little property I have, away.

"About noon today two men came again and took the windows out. It was so very cold for me that I was afraid of sickness and I had to call on my friends to take care of me. Mr. Gargan, who lives in Church street, will see that nobody harms me.

"Young Mr. Hill wanted me to go to the poor farm, but I have an awful dread of becoming a pauper, and besides my husband who was a citizen of this city for many years, could never bear to think of any of his family being carried away to a public institution. I told young Mr. Hill that I simply wouldn't go where he wanted to send me.

"In the early summer months I went to live with a family named Lord, at 217 Opal street, South Lowell. My health was very bad then, but I seemed to be getting better when the magazines blew up, and the shock nearly killed me. To think that right in the middle of winter I should be put out of the house, in a snowstorm, seems more than I can stand."

DID NOT PAY RENT.

Mrs. McHugh said she had not paid any rent for the past two months.

She said she had earned very little money, and that until recently her boy had been with her. Now he was well taken care of and she could earn money enough to pay the back rent. Mr. Hill, however, would not listen to her, she said, and was bound that she should be put out of the place. She said the water pipes in the house had frozen fully ten weeks ago, and that no attempt had been made to fix them in all that time, and because of that fact the sanitary condition of the place is very bad.

HARRY C. HILL'S STORY.

The Sun reporter paid another visit this forenoon to the house from which the old women were evicted and found that the windows and doors had been replaced. The reporter met and talked with Harry C. Hill, the young man who collects his father's rents. Mr. Hill was preparing for a visit from the board of health. A man was at work with a shovel in the shed connected with the three-room tenement and Mr. Hill was using a broom. The latter thought that The Sun reporter was a board of health man and when the reporter disabused Mr. Hill's mind of that thought, Mr. Hill said:

"What paper do you represent?"

"The Sun."

"Don't you think you had enough about the eviction in yesterday's editions?"

This question went unanswered and Mr. Hill proceeded to tell how and why it happened and his language was not the choicest in the world. He said:

"The tenement was originally let to a family named Clark, about three months ago. Just before the Clarks moved out Mrs. McHugh went in there, and when the Clarks had finally taken their household goods away the McHugh woman remained there. She did not engage the tenement and has not paid any rent. She has been very insolent and has told me that I couldn't collect any money."

He regretted very much, he said, that the steps of taking off the windows and the doors had to be taken, but said that the taunts and refusals to pay of Mrs. McHugh had led him to do what he had.

He said he had telephoned to the police station about sending Mrs. Twohey to the city farm, but that she had refused to go there. He was willing, he said, to give her a room in his father's block.

Mr. Hill said that he has taxes to pay and could not afford to house tenants who refused to pay their rent. He took the windows out and the doors off as a last resort, he said. He admitted that the water had been shut off several weeks and defended himself in that by saying that he couldn't give water to people who refused to pay their rent. He was sorry for Mrs. Twohey, he said, but thinks that Mrs. McHugh is not worthy of very much sympathy. Mrs. Twohey is at the home of friends and the shock of the eviction together with the exposure to which she was subjected has left her almost helpless.

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VALUABLE IMPORTS

ANNOUNCEMENT OF TRADE IN MEDITERRANEAN COUNTRIES.

The recent announcements with reference to new steamship lines between the United States and the Mediterranean countries lend especial interest to some statistics of our present commerce with those countries, just made public by the Department of Commerce and Labor through its Bureau of Statistics. These figures show that the imports of that section of the world fronting upon the Mediterranean and upon Indian Ocean, immediately beyond, amount to more than a billion and a half of dollars annually, and that at present the countries in question take only 6 per cent. of their total imports from the United States. Northern and western Europe takes largely of our exports, but many of the countries fronting upon tributary to the Mediterranean, both those of southern Europe and northern Africa, as well as western Asia, take but a very small percentage of their total imports from the United States. Yet the field, as shown by the figures just compiled, is an important one, the total importations of the countries fronting upon or tributary to the Mediterranean, and including India and the Straits Settlements, lying beyond, being in round terms, $1,600,000,000 annually, while their total imports from the United States are, in round terms, but about 100 millions.

The proportion which America products bear to the total importations on northern Europe, in comparison with those of southern Europe and northern Africa and the countries lying east of the Mediterranean, presents a striking contrast. The United Kingdom, for example, takes from the United States about 24 per cent. of her total imports; Germany, about 16 per cent.; Belgium about 12 per cent.; Netherlands, about 11 per cent.; France, about 10 per cent.; Spain, about 13 per cent., and Italy, about 12 per cent. But, aside from Italy, the Mediterranean countries and those tributary to it take from the United States a much smaller share of their imports than any of the countries above mentioned.

Of the total imports of Austria-Hungary, a part of which are by way of the Mediterranean, the United States supplies only 8 per cent.; of those of Greece, 3 per cent.; of those of Turkey, which aggregate annually more than a hundred million dollars, less than 2 per cent. Of the imports of Egypt, which aggregate 75 million dollars annually, but a little over 1 per cent. is from the United States. Roumania, which imports to the value of over 50 millions annually, shows in its reports no importations from the United States. Of the imports of British India, which amount to 260 million dollars annually, less than 2 per cent. is supplied by the United States; and of the imports into the Straits Settlements, which amount to about 130 million dollars annually, less than 1 per cent. is from the United States.

Considering the share which the various great sections of the world take of their imports from the United States, it may be said that North America as a whole, by reason of proximity to the United States, takes 40 per cent. of its total imports from this country; Europe, about 15 per cent.; South America, about 10 per cent.; Asia and Oceania, as a whole, about 9 per cent.; while the group of countries above referred to, tributary to the Mediterranean or immediately east thereof, as already stated, take but 6 per cent. of their imports from the United States.

25 to 35 per cent. discount at Oriental Bazaar.

WHITNEY'S WILL

$100,000 LEFT TO HIS DAUGHTER'S COMPANION.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—William C. Whitney's will was filed for probate at Mineola, L. I., yesterday. Harry Payne Whitney is made sole executor and trustee. The only bequest of public interest is one of $10,000 a year to Miss Beatrice Bend, "payable quarterly during the minority of my daughter Dorothy, provided and as long as the said Miss Bend shall remain with my daughter in the capacity of companion."

AMERICAN GLEE CLUB.

The American Glee club held a meeting last evening and elected officers for the ensuing six months as follows: President, J. Burns; vice-president, William Lynch; financial secretary, B. Arlin; recording secretary, E. Higgins; treasurer, R. O'Hogan and two members to the board of trustees, namely J. Haney and Paul Conway.

It was voted to run a barge party to Concord and Lexington April 19th for the members and their lady friends.

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HUSBAND'S CRIME

Shot His Wife and Killed Himself

PORTLAND, Me., Feb. 25.—Shortly after midnight Charles E. G. Laurick, aged 40, living on Fernald street, East Deering, shot his wife Mary, aged about 45, over the right ear with a 32-calibre revolver and then turned the weapon to his own head, the bullet entering his brain and death ensuing instantly.

The injured woman was taken to the Maine General hospital where she is in a precarious condition.

They were married about a year ago and are said to have been continually quarreling.

Mrs. Laurick has two children by a former husband, a boy, aged 14 and a girl aged 11.

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Here is a case of rheumatism, the scourge of old age, cured by Blood Wine. Mrs. H. H. Young, 34 Perry street, Lynn, Mass., says:

"I am 84 years of age, and have suffered for years with rheumatism. I have never taken a medicine that seemed to do me any good until my son brought home a bottle of 'Blood Wine.' It helped my lameness and put new vigor and activity into my system. I have taken twelve bottles; would not be without it."

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COURT DECISION

WILL AFFECT ABOUT 2,000 PERSONS.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 25.—The recent decision of the supreme court of the United States in awarding the "Overlap lands" to the Northern Pacific railway will affect almost 2,000 persons in this county. The contested grants comprise all the odd sections in the northern and western portion of Clark county, most of it being fine timber, grazing and farm lands. The settlers must either buy their land over again from the company or forfeit the farms they have occupied and improved for years.

"Grippy" Headache, Catarrh.—Much suffering is due to the after effects of la grippe, such as catarrh, catarrhal headache, inflamed nasal passages and offensive dropping in the throat. Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder is the sworn enemy to all head colds, headache and catarrh. It clears the throat and nasal passages and stops the pain over the eyes in 10 minutes. Get it today. It cures radically. Sold by Falls & Burkinshaw.—15.

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30 on 1 lb. 50c. Tea.
10 on 1 lb. 25c. Coffee.
5 on 1 lb. 15c. Butterine.
5 on 1 package 14c. Force.
5 on 1 package 14c. Cero Fruto.
3 on 1 package 10c. Presto.

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Strawberries.....12c a can
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Mince Meat.....8c a package
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Malted Milk.....43c per bot.
Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound 89c
Mellin's Food.....55c per bot.

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5-lb. box Fine Codfish..... 35c
Eng. Cured Codfish, absolutely boneless .....2 lbs. 25c
Gorton's Fancy Fish Cake, 1-lb. bricks 13c
No. 1 Shore Mackerel, no heads or tails.....5 lbs. 85c
Pickled Shrimp or Little Neck Clams, 1-lb. cans..... 10c
Good American Sardines, can 5c
"La Loubrey" Imported French Sardines, ¼'s, can..... 30c
Tall cans Alaska Pink Salmon. Doz. 90c; can 8c
1-lb. flat cans Alaska Medium Red Salmon, can..... 10c
Fancy Sockeye Salmon, "Midnight Sun" brand, rich and oily, 1-lb. steak. Doz. $1.75; can 15c
Large Navel Oranges, doz... 19c
Fancy Cal. Oranges, doz..... 13c
Maine Hebron Potatoes, peck 33c
3-lb. cans Good Tomatoes, 3 cans 20c
2-lb. cans Early June Peas. Doz. 95c; can 8c
Good New Rice, 5 lbs..... 19c
Mother's Oats, 2-lb. pkg..... 8c
Ralston Breakfast Food, pkg. 10c
"Welcome" Soap, 6 bars.....25c
Fancy Fig Bar Crackers, lb. 10c
Fancy Home-Made Preserves, 5-lb. stone jars.....43c
Fancy Fresh Rolled Roast Beef, lb. 11c
York State Pea Beans, per peck 55c
Best Pure Lard, 10-lb. pail, 95c
North's Sugar Cured Hams, per lb. 14c
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STILL WINNING

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SOUTH FRAMINGHAM, Feb. 25.—South Framingham keeps up its winning streak. Last night the home team got away with a game from Natick by a score of 34 to 20. South Framingham led from the start but for two periods Natick had a great opportunity to win. In the final period Harry Hough, who had not played in the previous periods, was sent in and proved to be Johnny on the spot, for with three baskets he gave the home team a safe lead and the visitors were somewhat discouraged. Hough took Fogarty's place in this period and had his side partner Ferat to play with him. Mayham also scored three baskets in this period. At the close of the first period the score was 6 to 4 in favor of the home team and at the end of the second period South Framingham had the lead by a score of 16 to 12.

SO. FRAMINGHAM—34	20—NATICK
Fogarty, Hough lf	rb H. Sheridan, Healy
Ferat rf	lb Healey, H. Sheridan
Mulliner c	c W. Sheridan
Mayham lb	rf Punch, Martens
Kinkaide rb	lf Falle

FIRST PERIOD.

Goal, Natick, W. Sheridan.......... 0—2
Goal, South Framingham, Ferat...... 2—2
Goal, Natick, Healey .... 2—4
Goal, South Framingham, Ferat...... 4—4
Goal, South Framingham, Ferat...... 6—4

SECOND PERIOD.

Goal, Natick, Punch................ 6—6
Third foul, So. Framingham, Ferat.. 6—7
Third foul, Natick, Falle.......... 7—7
Third foul, So. Framingham, Mayham 7—8
Goal, South Framingham, Fogarty.. 9—8
Goal, Natick, Healey............... 9—10
Goal, South Framingham, Ferat......11—10
Goal, South Framingham, Ferat ....13—10
Third foul, Natick, Falle..........14—10
Goal, Natick, H. Sheridan..........14—12
Goal, South Framingham, Fogarty...16—12

THIRD PERIOD.

Goal, South Framingham, Mayham..18—12
Third foul, So. Framingham, Ferat—18—13
Goal, Natick, W. Sheridan..........18—15
Third foul, Natick, Falle..........19—15
Goal, South Framingham, Hough....21—15
Goal, Natick, Falle................21—17
Goal, South Framingham, Ferat......23—17
Goal, South Framingham, Hough....25—17
Third foul, Natick, Healey.........26—17
Third foul, So. From., Mulliner.....26—18
Goal, South Framingham, Hough......28—18
Goal, South Framingham, Mayham..30—18
Goal, South Framingham, Mayham..32—18
Goal, Natick, Martens..............32—20
Goal, South Framingham, Mulliner..34—20

Score—South Framingham 34, Natick 20. Goals from floor—Ferat 6, Fogarty 2, Hough 3, Mayham 3, Mulliner 2, W. Sheridan 2, H. Sheridan, Martens, Healey 2, Punch, Falle. Points on fouls—South Framingham 4, Natick 4. Fouls committed—Falle 5, Healey 3, H. Sheridan, W. Sheridan, Punch 3, Fogarty, Hough, Ferat 3, Mulliner 3, Mayham 4, Kinkaide. Referee—Michael Godley of Fitchburg. Timekeepers—Joe Kynoch for South Framingham, Hugh Healey for Natick. Attendance—500.

LOWELL HIGH WON.

MANCHESTER, Feb. 25.—In a hard-fought game of basketball, in the Y. M. C. A. cage, yesterday afternoon, the team of the Lowell high school defeated the local team by a score of 25 to 16. The game was well and fiercely played by the local boys, with the exception of Young and Bartlett, who did not appear to get warmed to their work throughout the game.

The work of the Lowell boys was excellent and their passing far excelled any thing which has been seen in this city in an amateur game this season. It was a hard-earned victory and was well deserved. The Manchester team was badly weakened by the loss of three of its best men—Bruce, who is laid up with a bad wrist; Bailey, who is suffering from a bad knee, and Gordon.

BATTERY C 34, CO. L 8.

LAWRENCE, Feb. 25—Battery C defeated Co. L in a one-sided game of basket ball at the armory last night by the score of 34 to 8. The summary:

BATTERY C	CO. L
Lacasse rf	lb Carmody
Duhamel lf	rg Halloran
Boulger c	c Ryan
Coperwaithe rb	lf Hannagan
Begin rb	
Degenhart lb	rf McRobie

Score—Battery C 34, Co. L 8. Baskets from the floor, Lacasse 8, Duhamel 4, Begin 2, Boulger 2, Carmody 2, Halloran. Points on fouls—Battery C 2, Co. L 2. Referee, Maguire. Timers, Flynn and Buckley.

BASKETBALL NOTES

Tickets for this evening's game are on sale at Ellingwood's.

Only one league game was scheduled last night. Tonight is rather a busy one for the teams.

Kane and Tigue will play in about

TIGUE, of the Lowell Basketball Team

every game from now to the finish of the season.

Lowell is the banner city in the league for attendances. The audiences are getting larger in this city each game.

Toby is still all right. When it comes to keeping in the front rank your uncle Toby stays with the best of them.

Lowell will play in South Framingham again next Monday night and on the following Thursday night South Framingham will visit Lowell.

The Lowell team put in good afternoon's practise this afternoon, being lined up against Joe Cronin's players.

The practice continued for about two hours.

Haverhill rooters will come to this city tonight prepared to make it warm for Lowell rooters who may have a dollar or two to place on the local team.

Haverhill with Wachter the "race horse" will be the attraction in Huntington hall tonight. Bucky Lew and the other speedy fellows who took a fall out of Hudson Tuesday night will be in the lineup.

William Marley, the well known referee, has resigned his position with the league and leaves today for Burlington, Vt., where he will take a responsible position in the employ of the American Woolen company.

The Haverhill High school team is coming up with the Haverhill team tonight and will tackle the Textile school team in the preliminary game. Next Tuesday night the Textile school team will face the local High school team in the preliminary game to the big contest.

When the Manchester rooters heard that Hough threw ten baskets in this city last Saturday night they said that if Regan had been covering him Hough would have a hard time turning the trick. Tuesday night Hough played against Regan in Manchester and tossed twelve baskets.

When the team now representing South Framingham first came to this state to play the men received $45 a month. Then they got an advance of $5 a month and later the captain Kincaid asked for $60 a month for the men and got it. Later when the high salaries paid in this league became known to the men in western state league they wanted more money and when the latter organization disbanded Kincaid, Harry Hough and the other men on the team were getting $30 a week. Quite a jump in salary in a single season.

ON THE ALLEYS

MOHAIRS DEFEAT BIGELOWS BY TWO PINS.

One of the closest contests in the tournament of the Lowell Recreation Bowling League, now in progress, was played last night between the Mohairs and the Bigelows, in which the former won by a score of 1229 to 1227. Rhodes was high single and high total man for the victorious team, while for the defeated team McGreevy was high single and Jordan high total man. The score:

MOHAIRS.

	1	2	3	Total
Southam	77	82	79	238
Harrison	69	67	74	210
Rhodes	86	86	95	267
Whittaker	81	89	77	247
Harriman	94	78	75	247
Totals	407	422	400	1229

BIGELOWS.

	1	2	3	Total
Singleton	80	83	81	244
McGreevy	94	69	89	252
McKinley	84	87	79	250
Jordan	93	81	82	256
Usher	72	73	80	225
Totals	423	393	411	1227

THE RESERVES WON.

The Reserves and the Weavers of the Mohairs played a hot game on the alleys last night and the Reserves won by a score of 1148 to 1131. The score:

Mohair Reserves—Southam, 231; Greenwood, 248; Harrison, 242; Humphries, 216; Fielding, 212; total 1148.

Mohair Weavers—Rhodes 221, Hamilton 243, Collins 242, Mills 207, Webb 218; total, 1131.

ROYAL ARCANUMS WON.

The Royal Arcanum team met the team representing the Highland club on the latter's alleys last night and the Arcanumites defeated their entertainers by 30 pins in a close and well contested game, the R. A.'s winning all three strings. R. Libby of the losing team was high man with a three string total of 270, but his single string of 97 was equalled by Abbott of the winning team. The score:

Royal Arcanum—Mansur 256, Fowler 255, Abbott 261, Langerin 240, Smith 220; total, 1232.

Highland Club—E. Libby 241, Lazelle 225, Wing 233, R. Libby 270, Runels 227, total 1202.

SEVERELY TROUNCED.

The Cornock Trimmers were trimmed by the Graham Pets in a bowling contest held on the alleys last night, the score being 1198 to 1106 in favor of the Pets. The score:

Graham Pets—Graham 212, Brissett 243, Kidder 258, Wright 240, Eastham 245; total 1198.

Cornock Trimmers—Cornock 201, Brigham 247, McElroy 207, Bishop 233, Robinson 218; total 1106.

Mark down sale at Oriental Bazaar.

BAKER DISMISSED

BECAUSE HE WOULD NOT SPELL "ROUTING" WITH AN "E."

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—W. L. Baker, the clerk in the office of the quartermaster at Fort Sheridan, who refused to spell "routing" with an "e," although ordered to do so by his superior, Lieut. Col. Miller, yesterday, received his discharge from the secretary of war, to whom the question of spelling had been referred. Baker says that he will appeal to President Roosevelt.

The word was used in an order relating to the transportation of troops and Baker was ordered by Lieut. Col. Miller to spell it "routeing." He said that he could not conscientiously spell it with an "e."

Brig. Gen. Fred D. Grant, the commander of the department of the Lakes, approved the dismissal of Baker, saying that he was given a legitimate order and was guilty of insubordination when he refused to carry it out.

CENSUS BUREAU REPORT.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The census bureau yesterday issued a report on the mining of coal in the United States for the year ended December 31, 1902. It shows a total production of 301,590,-439 short tons. Of this total 260,216,-844 tons were bituminous and 41,373,-595 tons anthracite.

Oriental Bazaar, 318 Merrimack street.

LADUE VS. SWEENEY

LOWELL AND NASHUA WRESTLERS TO MEET IN HUNTINGTON HALL TOMORROW NIGHT.

Just how much science in wrestling will count against muscle and strength will be determined tomorrow night in Huntington hall, when Paul Sweeney, the Nashua giant, and William Ladue, a well known wrestling expert, who has made Lowell his home, will meet for the second time this winter.

In the first match, which was held in Nashua, Sweeney won two falls, but the Lowell man claimed that he was not in good condition, and asked Sweeney for another match. The present bout is the result. Sweeney will weigh 205, while Ladue will weigh not more than 140. Sweeney represents the bull dog type in wrestling, while Ladue represents the scientific. No wrestling bout has ever attracted more attention in this city than the Sweeney-Ladue affair. Three other bouts also will be pulled off. Callery vs. Rogers; Muggins vs. Fraje; Pearson vs. Plourde.

WILLIAM LADUE.

BOXING GOSSIP

Interest in the coming bout between Jimmy Walsh of Newton and Kid Flannery of this city has taken a big jump since yesterday when Walsh knocked out Tommy Quigley of Wilkesbarre, Pa., in 13 rounds in private for $500 a side and gate receipts, 30 men paying $5 each to see the bout. Quigley is considered one of the liveliest bantams in the country and was the favorite in the betting but Walsh showed up better than ever before and after five rounds had matters his own way. The men weighed one hundred and ten pounds, which is a few pounds heavier than the weight at which Walsh will meet Flannery. Walsh gave Quigley a bad beating but that does not shake the confidence of Flannery's friends. Flannery is a harder hitter than most bantams, in fact he has the hitting power of a man 30 pounds heavier and he excels at infighting. He is perhaps not as clever a boxer as Walsh but it isn't always the cleverest boxer who wins.

Flannery is training hard, that is at boxing and bag punching to improve his speed and accuracy of eye but he is down to weight and does not need to take any more off. Manager Flaherty of Riverview club is arranging for some good preliminaries and the meeting promises to be the best the club has ever held. A large number of well known Boston sports have applied for membership in the club in anticipation of this bout.

It is probable that Manager Flaherty will get Jockey Brady and Kid Broad for one of the preliminaries. This pair would put up a lively bout. They are also little fellows and it is the little fellows who give the better exhibition.

Terry McGovern wants to get back on top of the heap and is out for another go with Young Corbett. Terry was quite a boy while he was going but another go with Young Corbett looks a might dubious for the New Yorker.

A western travelling man who saw the Gardner-Fitz fight was in town a few days ago, and speaking of that fight with a party of friends expressed the belief that if Gardner and Fitz ever came together again Gardner would win. "The trouble with Gardner," said the travelling man, "was that he was overawed by Fitz. Perhaps some people would say afraid, when he entered the ring. Fitz was the mightiest game he had ever tried to bag and was a big favorite in the betting. Gardner was beaten when he went into the ring, but now that he has met Fitz once I think he would go after him with more confidence and show up better."

TOMMY RYAN WON.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 25.—Tommy Ryan, middleweight champion, defeated Jack Beauscholte last night in the Auditorium rink in the sixth round of what was to have been a ten-round fight. In the sixth Beauscholte was in such condition that Ryan quit hitting him and was given the fight.

NEW ENGLAND LEAGUE.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—The officials of the New England Baseball league announced yesterday that its meeting scheduled for March 1 would be held instead on Feb. 29 in this city. The time was changed on account of conflict with the date of meeting of the National league of baseball clubs.

BASEBALL DISPUTES.

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 25.—The national board of arbitration of minor baseball leagues concluded its meeting last evening after giving out an interpretation of the secondary draft rule and deciding disputes over a large number of players.

John Flatler, claimed by Baltimore, was awarded to Albany; Joyce to Buffalo; Pitcher Duquette to Rochester; A. H. Stackpole to New Bedford; L. C. Gardner, to Buffalo; V. Borden to Haverhill, and S. F. Suggs to Nashua.

PERSONALS

City Editor Burtt E. Warren of the Nashua Telegraph visited Lowell friends, Tuesday evening.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. George E. Martin of Pawtucket street held an informal "at home" to their parishioners and friends last night.

Mrs. William Brautigan, bookkeeper at Joseph Marin's, is dangerously ill with pneumonia at her home in Merrimack street.

THE INSURGENTS

Fired on the New York Says Wainwright

REPORT OF AFFAIR AT SAN DOMINGO

American Consular Agent's Daughter Injured

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—By order of Secretary Moody, the report of Captain Richard Wainwright, commanding the Newark, regarding his recent reconnoissance about Santo Domingo was made public at the navy department yesterday. Captain Wainwright found on his arrival at Sanchez that the daughter and brother-in-law of the American consular agent, had both been wounded by the same bullet in the fighting there. As it was expected that the attack on Feb. 8 would be repeated the following day, he wrote a letter to the commanders of the government and insurgent forces protesting against further firing in the streets of the city or towards the houses of the inhabitants, and to make his protest effective, landed a force of 20 marines and a company of bluejackets, who took up their position in a general merchandise store for the night. The night passed without an attack. The following day the Montgomery arrived and landed marines to relieve the forces ashore from the Newark. Captain Wainwright had an interview with President Morales on board the Newark that day as to conditions in Samana bay.

Regarding the firing on the American steamship New York by the insurgent forces while she was unloading her cargo, Captain Wainwright says:

"President Morales returned to Sanchez in the President late in the evening of the 9th of February, and remained until the next morning. In the meantime I had learned from the report of the Montgomery that it was claimed by the American consular agent in Samana that President Morales had violated asylum granted by our consular agent to men several days before. Gen. Morales came on board the Newark and informed me that he had not taken the men from the consulate at Samana, but from a farm outside the town, which belonged to the consular agent. I informed him that he must be careful to respect the American flag and the consulate.

"He informed me that he had passed a decree closing Monte Christi and Macoris. I advised him to be careful how he interfered with American or foreign commerce, but did not question the doubtful validity of his decree, as there was a senior officer at Santo Domingo City.

"I got under way about 9 o'clock Feb. 10, leaving the Montgomery in Samana bay and steamed directly for Santo Domingo City, where I arrived at about 10 o'clock on the morning of the 11th.

"The New York reported that she had entered Monte Christi, having cargo for that place, but that General Morales had fired upon the lighters coming out to take his cargo. The New York went to Puerto Plata where a written agreement was entered into between General Morales and the Clyde agents, that the cargo for Monte Christi with the exception of arms and ammunition, should be deposited there in the custom house and later sent overland to Monte Christi.

"The whole southeastern peninsula is in the hands of the insurgents and Santo Domingo City is surrounded and closely invested by 1200 men of the insurgent forces.

"Upon arriving off Santo Domingo City I found the U. S. S. Columbia and at once reported to Captain Miller. The steamship New York arrived shortly after me and at noon went alongside the dock in the river to unload her cargo, about 1900 barrels.

"Captain Miller had made a written agreement with the commanding generals of both forces that there would be no firing on that side of the city while the New York was at the dock.

"The Columbia's steam launch with a large U. S. flag on the bows went into the dock, preceding the New York, also flying an American flag. The insurgents from the east bank of the river fired upon the New York and upon the Columbia's steam launch. After consultation with Captain Miller and by his direction I moved to a position directly opposite the river and shelled the east bank of the river in order to drive back into the interior all insurgents in that neighborhood, preparing the way for landing a battalion composed of the landing force of the Columbia and Newark.

"The battalion under command of Lieut. Commander Parker, equipped in light marching order, landed at about half-past four.

"At a small town about half a mile in the interior insurgents were found in some force, under the command of General Jose Tiburzier. The general was warned to remove his forces at once, back into the interior, away from the east bank of the river, and that he should not fire on the town again from that side. He signed another written agreement to that effect and at once collected his forces and marched his men into the interior."

TOWNS RECAPTURED.

SAN DOMINGO, Saturday, Feb. 20.—The towns of San Cristobal and Bani have been re-captured by forces from the government gunboat Presidente. Another government force has been sent to attack the insurgents at San Pedro de Macoris.

U. S. Minister Powell has notified the government that Washington does not recognize the closing of ports at present in possession of the government. The blockade is ineffective.

The insurgents inflicted damage to property in the vicinity of this city. The town of San Carlos has been almost completely destroyed.

Sacrifice prices at Oriental Bazaar.

ROBERT J. CROWLEY

GETS PLACE ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Hon. William S. McNary, chairman of the Massachusetts democratic state committee, has appointed the executive committee for 1904 and called a meeting at the state committee headquarters, 4 Liberty square, Boston, Saturday, Feb. 27, at 1 p. m.

The only changes in the committee are the substitution of the names of Charles S. Hamlin of Boston and Robert J. Crowley of Lowell for Thomas J. Gargan of Boston and William T. Jenney of Medford, both of whom retired from the state committee last year.

The committee is as follows: John J. Flaherty of Gloucester, chairman; Josiah Quincy of Boston, Edward Gilmore of Brockton, John W. Glynn of Springfield, Col. A. C. Drinkwater of Braintree, P. J. Daly of Boston, James E. Sullivan of Fall River, Robert M. Burnett of Southboro, John H. Lee of Boston, Robert J. Crowley of Lowell, M. M. Cunniff of Boston, Charles S. Hamlin of Boston.

DEGREE FOR JUSSERAND.

MONTREAL, Feb. 25.—The board of governors of McGill university yesterday conferred the degree of doctor of laws upon M. Jusserand, French ambassador at Washington, in recognition of his distinguished contributions to English literature.

CITY HALL NOTES

City Solicitor Hogan is still confined to his home by illness.

The cemetery trustees met last night but transacted only routine business.

Mr. Hector Lavallee who has been taking a census of the births in Little Canada and Pawtucketville has finished his duties. He reports 550 infants—at 10 cents per head for the census taker, which is not bad for Hector nor for the good people of the district who evidently are determined that the ward seven race will never become extinct.

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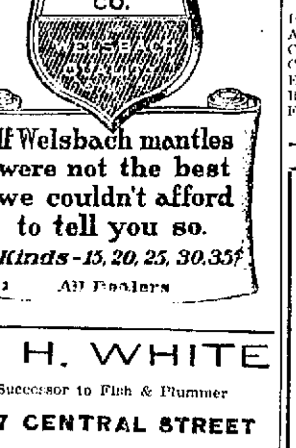

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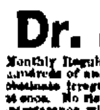

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The sworn daily average circulation of The Lowell Sun for the year 1903, was **14,590** A gain of 1083 copies per day over the average for the year of 1902.

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The sworn daily average circulation for the month of January, 1904, was: **15,432**

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Senator Hanna's last official act was to write a personal letter to the president, expressing appreciation of the latter's visit and inquiry as to the senator's condition. Hanna had a keen appreciation of favors.

THE TRAMPS AND THE TRUANTS.

It is proposed to have a state tramp commissioner whose duty it will be to consort with hobos and assist in rounding them up. The idea is spreading from Boston that all tramps should be treated as criminals. This is a mistake. The best medicine for the tramp is to make him work for what he eats.

In line with this proposition is another to provide a state truant officer. It seems that somebody is endeavoring to provide easy berths for a few more grafters.

The question of proper fire protection for theatres is under consideration by the legislature and it is probable that out of all the suggestions made, something practical will be done to safeguard the public in theatres. The very best scheme proposed is state inspection and publicity. By this scheme if applied the theatres would have to post in a conspicuous place, perhaps on the drop curtain in front of the audience, the result of a fire inspection as to conditions of safety. If this indicated that the house was unsafe in case of fire the audience would soon scatter and the result would be that the necessary changes would be promptly made.

THE DEATH OF MR. CLAPP.

The death of Henry Austin Clapp is a loss to the world of letters. His fame as a Shakespearean scholar was well earned for few men ever drank from the Shakespearean springs with more inebriating effect. He was a man of rare dramatic talent, an authority on dramatic art and a lecturer of no mean ability. Mr. Clapp some years ago delivered a series of lectures upon Shakeperean plays in the Unitarian church and his audiences on those occasions still remember him with vivid recollections of his entertaining talks, his great insight to Shakespeare's works and the wide scope of knowledge which he brought to bear upon the subject.

A RESTRICTION ON MARRIAGE.

Chicago bank officials seem to realize the impossibility of supporting a family and keeping up to style on $1000 a year. They have promulgated a rule forbidding all employes whose salary is under $1000 to get married presumably for the reason that a man trying to support a family on less than that amount would be under a strong temptation to steal. The bank men say the rule does not prohibit marriage as the men have an opportunity to rise rapidly. If the obstacles to the rising process are not well nigh insuperable, it would be the best plan for the young man to overcome them before embarking upon the sea of matrimony.

TO SAFEGUARD MEMORIAL HALL.

The Molly Varnum ladies have made an honest protest against the manner in which Memorial hall is used. They wanted it placed in control of the library trustees but this request met strong opposition.

The petition and the hearing upon it should be sufficient to cause the city council to take proper steps to protect the hall against fire. If the charge that it is a fire trap be true, then greater precautions still should be used to prevent the possibility of damage by fire. The Molly Varnum contention is largely sustained by public sentiment in spite of the opposition. The public now demands that the city council adopts extraordinary measures to safeguard Memorial hall.

BRADEN AS A PARLIAMENTARIAN.

President Braden of the common council certainly proved himself a law unto himself when he decided to change his vote in violation of the precedent established by himself earlier in the year. Yet Braden says he is the authority on such matters. It was beyond Cushing's power to decide a question both affirmatively and negatively at the same time. Braden ruled that Councilman Welch could not change his vote without the consent of the body and he ruled that Councilman Braden could change his vote without the consent of the body. Braden's decision in this regard resembles the road that was down hill both ways. It would be as logical for Braden to vote yea and nay on the same question as to decide as he did, but according to his statement he is the authority.

ENGLAND'S ALLIANCE WITH JAPAN.

The citizens of this republic have an object lesson as to the effect of treaties of alliance in the relations now existing between England and Japan. To all intents and purposes Russia hates England quite as much as Japan. Indeed she seems to believe that England planned and incited the war. In virtue of her alliance England must stand ready to defend Japan should any other power interfere to help Russia. France is similarly bound to stand by Russia. Were the United States in alliance with England we should be drawn into the swirl of eastern militarism whether we liked it or not, and in the end a combination of European powers would assail us in this hemisphere. Had England been able to form an alliance with the United States she might not have entered into the alliance with Japan but she was isolated for a time and felt it necessary to unite with some naval power. She failed to persuade the United States but succeeded in getting Japan to join her with what result the future will reveal.

THE ISSUES OF THE WAR.

It will be a distinct triumph for civilization if the great eastern war be settled without involving other powers than the belligerents and plunging the whole of Europe and the greater part of Asia into a terrible struggle. The questions involved are whether Russia will be the great Asiatic power, or whether Russia's power shall be reduced and Japan raised as the dominant power in the far east. The power that wins in this war will threaten the integrity of China and may eventually rule China so that England may well feel somewhat alarmed over her interests in India and her Asiatic trade.

France and Germany are more or less interested with Russia in preventing the rise of Japan and the advance of England's naval and military power. The danger of war involving other powers is very great. It was to avoid this danger that England and France agreed not to interfere unless forced into the conflict. Russia, however, seems determined to form a triple alliance that will bring to her aid Germany as well as France; but unless they set out to assist her on the sea their assistance would accomplish little. Their interference would precipitate the greatest war the world ever saw and one which the United States might find it difficult to avoid.

SEEN AND HEARD

For the first time in the memory of the oldest inhabitant a third crop of ice, of nine inches thick, is being cut from Spy pond, Arlington.

Patrick Holland, one of Winchester's oldest residents who died Monday at the ripe age of 86 years, was one of the men who constructed the Boston & Lowell railroad.

The late Commander Martin E. Hall, U. S. N., who died Sunday night, married the eldest daughter of the late Oliver H. Cushing, who for many years was agent of the Lowell Gaslight company.

It was fitting that water should have collapsed the freight house on Jackson street in a no-license year. The house was a famous storage place for beer, and a water "chaser" after beer is said to have fatal results.

The local Eagles give practical proof of their brotherly love by interesting themselves in the case of the daughter of the late Wm. H. Gordon. The young woman is an orphan and the Eagles propose to protect the orphans, which is very much to their credit.

It seems poetic justice that the "bad lands" of New Mexico are being visited by earthquakes, for the inhabitants of those lands are reported to have no fear of God or man. The earthquakes may bring them to a realization of a hereafter, where the wicked make no complaint of severe winter weather. And this brings us nearer home, for how is it that Lawrence is visited by tornadoes while Lowell is entirely free from such awful visitations? The answer is obvious.

It is no surprise to hear that "Fighting Bob" Evans, who is now in Asiatic waters and whose term of service expires by age limit, wants an extension of service so as to see the Russian-Japanese war. Admiral Evans is no land-lubber—his whole career from boyhood is full of active, aggressive duty, and from all accounts he is among the foremost of our American seamen. Not a few men in Massachusetts sailed under "Fighting Bob" when he was a captain, and among the number is "Mike" Garvey, ex-councilman and ex-representative, who saw service under him and always speaks warmly in his praise.

MAYOR SCORED

COUNSEL FOR DEFENCE GETS AFTER INSPECTOR.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24—Continuing his argument in the postal trial today, Charles Douglass, for the defence, charged the prosecution with not having come out into the open with respect to the Lorenz note for $25,000. The deductions of the government regarding the financial transactions of Lorenz and Machen he characterized as the most remarkable specimen of jugglery in figures in the history of the court, having for its object the landing behind the bars of an erstwhile distinguished official of the government and four others whose reputations have been as clean as his. He charged that certain financial actions between Machen and Lorenz had been deliberately and purposely excluded by the government from all calculation because they did not suit the government's end, aim and purpose. Inspector Mayer, he also charged, had returned to Mr. Lorenz twenty out of thirty-seven checks, because they did not suit his purposes and it was Mayer, he added, who was the real prosecutor in this case. He criticized the failure of the government to pay to the Groffs a balance of $13,000 and said it was simply a "hold up game."

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Higgins of Melbourne, Fla., writes: "My doctor told me I had Consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases at Goodale's drug store, 217 Central street, Lowell. Price 50c and $1. Trial bottles free.

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IN THE NEW AMERICAN HOUSE LAST EVENING

Officers Elected for Ensuing Year

Those of the surviving comrades of Old Co. G Associates who are still able to weather gales assembled at the New American House last evening in 33d annual reunion.

The reunion brought together old friends of by-gone days from distant parts while letters were read from others upon whom Time had set its seal and who were unable to make the trip to the assembly place.

The affair was a success and aside from the tinge of sadness imparted by the letters from the comrades unable to attend was a most enjoyable event. The "boys" cast aside their cares and burden of years and were young soldiers again, recounting the best incidents of the war days.

The business meeting which preceded the social time was called to order by Charles H. Richardson, after which the reports of Secretary W. H. Spalding, Treasurer Andrew Liddell and the executive committee consisting of George W. Wiggin, Henry A. Coburn and George G. Turbell, Clarendon Goodwin and Randolph C. Lord, were unanimously accepted. Resolutions upon the death of Harvey Weld at the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea, Nov. 12, 1903, were introduced by Franklin S. Pevey and R. C. Lord, and were adopted.

The resolutions were as follows:

Whereas—Another comrade of Co. G has answered to the last roll call, Harvey Weld of this city died at the Soldier's Home, Chelsea, Mass., Nov. 12, 1903; buried in Soldiers' Home lot, Malden, Mass. Comrade Weld was a good soldier, always willing to do his duty as a soldier wherever and whenever called upon and although of a retiring disposition, was always ready to adapt himself to the spirit of the occasion—therefore be it resolved—that in the death of Comrade Weld the company has lost another member whose place cannot be filled.

Resolved—That these resolutions be spread on the records and be published with the doings of this meeting.

Home, blessed home, that is promised up there,
All parting over and no pain or care;
Hope of the weary one, joy of the blest,
There shall the troubled heart find perfect rest.

FRANKLIN S. PEVEY,
R. C. LORD.
Committee.

A nominating committee, consisting of Franklin S. Pevey, William A. Morriss and Andrew Liddell, was appointed, and this committee announced the following names for officers for the ensuing year:

President, S. August Lonfest, Wakefield; vice-president, William A. Morris, New York; secretary, W. H. Spalding, Lowell; treasurer, Andrew Liddell, Lowell; executive committee, George W. Wiggin, Reading; Henry A. Coburn; George G. Turbell, East Pepperell, Mass.; Clarendon Goodwin, Lowell; Randolph C. Lord, Lowell.

After the election of officers the party repaired to the banquet hall where dinner was served, followed by a social time in the hotel parlors, where Secretary Spaulding read letters from many of the members who were unable to attend. Many of these letters were decidedly interesting as they dealt with happenings of the war days.

Among those who wrote were: Capt. George L. Cady, San Diego, Cal.; Frank Buncher, Birmingham, Mich.; William E. Hill, Elizabeth, N. J.; William H. Tingley, Providence; Willis B. Atkins, Durand, Wis.; John M. Averill, Boston; H. T. Barnard, West Stafford, Conn.; George D. Coburn, Boston; A. T. Green, Lowell; George W. Hall, Haverhill; T. A. McMaster, Bangor, Me.; Granville K. McAlvin, Boston; Charles B. Parmenter, Oakland, Cal.; E. E. Reed, Salem; Joseph H. Sears, National Military home, Indiana; F. M. Spaulding, Los Angeles, Cal.; Charles Spencer, Newport News, Va.; John Spencer, Meriden, Conn.; S. E. Stearns, Thorndike; George W. Wiggin, Reading; Charles W. Brigham, Boston.

All of the members present entertained with witticisms and stories, and the evening passed all too quickly. The following members were present:

Alonzo C. Grout, Grand Junction, Col.; Franklin S. Pevey, Lowell; Henry C. Hutchinson, Lowell; William P. Farrington, Lowell; Charles C. Foote, Lowell; George Healey, Newark, N. J.; Charles B. Kitchen, Lowell; Manly S. Knowles, Lowell; Andrew Liddell, Lowell; Randolph C. Lord, Lowell; William A. Morriss, New York; Charles H. Richardson, Lowell; Frederick J. Small, Lowell; William H. Spalding, Lowell; Henry A. Coburn, Lowell; Albert S. Stackpole, West Lebanon, Me.; Major Chas. A. Stott, Dr. George E. Pinkham of Lowell, honorary members.

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WASHINGTON SUPPER

HELD AT ELIOT CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

The vestry of the Eliot Congregational church on Summer street, was the scene of a most enjoyable time last evening. The event was a Martha Washington supper given under the auspices of the Ladies' Charitable society of the church. Supper was served from six until seven o'clock, and was one of the sort that these ladies are famous for. All of the waitresses in attendance were appropriately attired in Martha Washington costumes which added to the tone of the event.

In the evening the Young People's society presented a most enjoyable two-act comedy drama in which nine of the most prominent members of the society were the actors. The title of the play was "Old Acre Folks." This was by no means the first attempt that the young people of the church have made in the dramatic art but the performance of last evening was perhaps the most entertaining and laughable of any presented this winter. From the time that the curtain went up on the first act until it fell on the last act the audience were kept in a perfect turmoil of laughter and surprise at each succeeding incident of the performance.

The play itself was good and is of the order of the average domestic dramas that of late have become so popular. All the performers in the play were well up in their parts which is something unusual in amateur performances. The cast of characters was as follows:

The Deacon's Wife, Annie W. Chase; The Deacon's Daughter, Ruth Eaton; The Squire's Housekeeper, Marion Faulkner; The Squire, George P. Longfellow; The Deacon's Son, Roland W. Black; The Squire's Daughter, Esther M. Greene; The Country Boy, Albert W. Pease; The Stranger, Albert A. Ludwig; The Deacon, Edmond A. Damsay.

Act 1—Haylin' time. The deacon's setting-room. (Supposed lapse of six months.)

Act II—Sleighin' time. The deacon's setting-room again. Place—Old Acre, Maine.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

That beautiful American domestic drama, "The Parish Priest," will be presented at the Academy of Music three nights and daily matinees commencing this afternoon.

"The Parish Priest," by Daniel L. Hart, is an American domestic drama. Both press and public declare it to be the sweetest, most wholesome and delightful comedy drama of recent years, one critic on the Boston Transcript saying: "It is a far better play than 'The Old Homestead.'" The story itself is simple and natural, and in it there are no crimes to unmask, no scheming villains to restrain and no tragedies to face. From first to last it is a play of humanity. There is not a line, not an action which does not portray some real life. There are only real men and women for characters, living and talking as naturally as possible, loving strongly and truly, exhibiting weaknesses which are human and confessing weaknesses humanly. The character of Fr. Whalen portrays a man who lives and moves as other men, who in his vocation as priest ministers to souls but does not forget to minister to the body. There is absolutely not a grain of sectarianism in "The Parish Priest." Father Whalen might be of any other calling so far as the lines of the play or the situations are concerned. He teaches no sectarian doctrine and no religion other than that of Christian brotherhood, which in his own person receives its strongest and most effective realization. He does not preach a sermon. He lives it, and by his example makes others feel its benign and enobling effects. The scene of the play is a small Pennsylvania town in the Wyoming Valley. There Father Whalen has lived all his life. He knows every individual of his flock, understands and sympathizes with their joys and their weaknesses, and, with a firm hand or with a tactful diplomacy, as the occasion demands, guides them to their daily avocations. His true philosophy, his genial humanity and his genuine Irish wit and humor are omnipresent. A strong love interest pervades the play with ambition as the counter current and the proper assorting of two couples separated by the latter impulse as the action of the piece.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The Knights of Sherwood Forest, Uniform Rank of Foresters, held a most successful meeting last evening in Elks' hall, Fiske block. It was voted to pay a sick benefit of $50, and seven new members were initiated. The knights will hold their annual ball in Foresters' hall, April 29. The following committee was elected to make arrangements for the event: John Sabouren, chairman; assisted by Thomas Morse, John P. Boyers, Fred Valley and William D. Sabourin.

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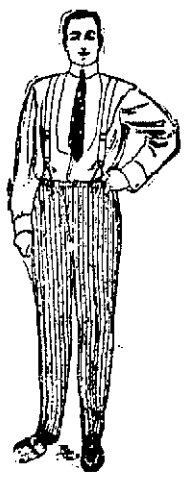

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REV. MR. WEDGE

Formally Installed as Pastor Last Evening

AT WORTHEN STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

Many Clergymen Assist at Installation

Rev. Arthur P. Wedge, the new pastor of the Worthen Street Baptist church, was formally installed as pastor last evening in the presence of a large congregation and amid appropriate and impressive services. Several local and visiting clergymen assisted at the installation which was presided over by Rev. Smith T. Ford of this city. The decorations were confined to the platform which was adorned with potted plants and two beautiful bouquets.

Seated upon the platform besides the new minister were Rev. Smith T. Ford, D. D., Rev. Asa R. Dilts of the Branch Street Tabernacle, Rev. J. F. Allen, pastor of the Worthen Street Methodist church, Rev. Orville Coates, pastor of the Fifth Street Baptist church, Rev. W. O. Ayer, Rev. W. S. Ayres, a former pastor of the Worthen Street Baptist church, and Rev. B. D. Hahn, D. D., of Springfield, Mass.

The program opened shortly after 8 o'clock, with an organ voluntary by Miss Emma Coote, following which Divine blessing was invoked by Rev. Smith T. Ford, in the absence of Rev. J. M. Greene, D. D., who was unable to be present.

Rev. Asa Reed Dilts then read from the Scripture after which Rev. W. O. Ayer lead the congregation in prayer. The sermon for the occasion was preached by Rev. B. D. Hahn, and was a masterly effort.

Rev. Orville Coates delivered the charge to pastor. He spoke of the cosmopolitan character of the city's inhabitants and impressed upon him the fact that his field now lies in a metropolitan city and that if he possessed a knowledge of every language that is spoken he would here find opportunity to converse in each of them. He then dwelt at length upon the duties of a pastor and concluded in words of warm welcome to the new pastor.

Rev. W. S. Ayres for the second time since he was pastor of the church, delivered the charge to the church.

Mr. Ayres informed the congregation of the importance that was attached to their efforts to assist the pastor in his work. As one who could speak from experience, he predicted that Mr. Wedge would receive the undivided co-operation of the parishioners. He said too, that the parishioners should be frank with their pastor and work with him as man to man in order to produce the best and most desired results.

The welcome to the city was extended to Mr. Wedge in a most cordial manner by Rev. James F. Allen. Mr. Allen said that Lowell was not the city that one was led to think it might be from what was said of it outside. His words of welcome which came at the conclusion of his remarks were inspiring and sincere.

It was the intention to have the welcome of the church association extended to the new pastor by Rev. C. L. Pierce but this feature was omitted in consequence of Mr. Pierce's absence.

The service closed with benediction by the pastor.

SECRETARY TAFT

WANTS FORBES TO ACCEPT COMMISSIONERSHIP.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Sec. Taft returned to Washington from Cincinnati yesterday. Cameron Forbes, recently confirmed as a Philippine commissioner called upon the secretary and indicated a disposition to decline the appointment on the ground that the health of his uncle required his undivided attention in caring for the business interests that fell to his charge. The secretary was extremely anxious to secure Mr. Forbes' services because of his executive and technical abilities and induced him to withhold a final decision for a time. It is probable that if the new commissioner is not required to repair to Manila in the immediate future he may be able to arrange his business so as ultimately to accept the appointment.

WM. A BRADY

SAID TO HAVE LOST $10,000 AT POKER.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—In the Green Room club in West 47th street a quiet game of poker was played one night last week which has set the whole rialto talking. It was not a small game, by any means, if the statements of those who know about it are true. Theatrical men chiefly sat in the game, and, according to the report, William A. Brady was the principal loser.

Several reports were current yesterday about the game which is said to have begun last Friday night, after the curtains went down along Broadway, and to have lasted till they went up again the next night. All these reports agree on the one point that Mr. Brady was a heavy loser.

It is told that during the sitting he was about $85,000 behind, but that at the end he was only a $10,000 loser. One version is that he settled for $10,000. Another version, told by those who have inside knowledge, is that, after losing $85,000, three more hands were played and Mr. Brady won back $75,000 of what he had lost.

Mr. Brady could not be found yesterday or last night at the theatre where his play is being produced here, and there were many engagements which Mr. Brady had for yesterday which he failed to keep. As the manager of pugilists and of his wife, who is Grace George, Mr. Brady is well known in theatrical circles. He is president of the Green Room club.

Kimonas at $1.50, at Oriental Bazaar.

MATRIMONIAL

A very pretty wedding occurred last evening at 6.30 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Barrett, 158 Sayles street, when Rev. T. Clayton Welles, pastor of the Highland Congregational church, united in marriage Miss Hattie Belle Barrett of this city and Mr. Thomas Adams Remington of Boston. The bride was attended by Miss Mabel Severance, while the best man was Mr. Benjamin T. Smith of Andover. Mr. D. Nathan Gage, Jr., of Andover, Mr. William L. Rogers of Boston, and Mr. Walter C. Donald of Andover officiated as ushers. The bride was prettily gowned in white crepe de chine over white silk, and carried lilies of the valley, while in contrast the bridemaid was attired in pale blue silk and carried bridal roses. Following the wedding ceremony a reception was enjoyed between the hours of 7 and 9. Mr. and Mrs. Remington left on the late train. After May 1st they will be at home to their friends at 510 Talbot avenue, Ashmont, Mass.

EIGHT ENGLISH GIRLS AT THE CASTO.

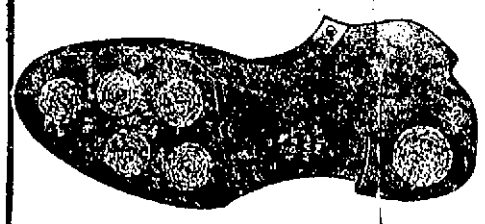
The Eight English Girls who head this week's bill at the Casto are repeating their London success at this theatre. For two years they were the sensation of the English metropolis, and this week they are the talk of this city. They are all handsome girls in face and figure, and their singing, dancing and acrobatic work is excellent. The remainder of the program is made up of star acts which are all comedy, and the bill is one that is drawing large crowds at the Casto.

Pursuant to Manager Haynes' usual custom the Casto will close Saturday evening, Feb. 27th, and remain closed during Lent. It will reopen on Monday matinee, April 4th, with an all star bill.

REV. FR. CRANE DEAD.

LAWRENCE, Mass., Feb. 25.—Rev. Peter Crane, O. S. A., died at the parochial residence on Haverhill street after an illness of several weeks. He was 69 years of age.

Shod for Winter



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BISHOP O'CONNELL TAKES THE INITIATIVE

Move in Accord With the Pope's Decree

The Rt. Rev. Bishop O'Connell of Portland, Me., has taken the initiative among the prelates of the Catholic archdiocese of Boston and the province of New England in regard to establishing the Gregorian music as supreme in the churches of his diocese, in accordance with a recent decree of Pope Pius X., addressed to all the bishops and pastors of the Catholic world.

The musicians and soloists of the churches of the Maine diocese will therefore be the first of their class in New England to feel the effect of this far-reaching edict. The bishop has prepared a pastoral communication to be issued to the priests under his direction, enjoining the immediate and scrupulous enforcement of the instructions contained in the Pope's document, and further declaring that the regulations are to be accepted as having the force of universal law in the church.

The bishop's letter asserts that the Gregorian chant, being the form of music especially consecrated to the liturgy of the church, ought to be restored as fully as possible to the functions of public worship, and that the liturgical compositions should be the music generally heard in the churches.

Concerning modern music, he says that, on occasions when such is admitted, the compositions sung should be characterized by sobriety and gravity, and everything savoring of a profane character should be rigorously excluded.

As a preparation for further progress in the same direction, the bishop enacts another regulation which, he says, it has long been desirable to put into force. This concerns the language of the church, which, he says, is becoming less and less familiar to the people and is a matter to be regretted. One great source of edification to the congregations is their participation in the ritual of the church, and from this they are naturally excluded as long as they are unfamiliar with the Latin language, which the church uses in her liturgy.

To remove this obstacle, the bishop orders that the children in schools and Sunday schools under Catholic direction be familiarized with the canticles and hymns employed in the Catholic worship in order that they may later be enabled to share properly in ecclesiastical functions in accordance with the intention of the church.

He directs that the children be taught the Lord's Prayer, the Hail Mary and a number of other specified prayers, in the Latin language, and that all vocal prayers in the schools henceforth be recited in the same tongue. The principal hymns of the liturgy and the Latin "ordinary" of the mass according to the Gregorian notation, are also to be embraced in the work of the schools.

Commenting upon his order, the bishop says that the ruling will no doubt entail the exercise of great patience and perseverance upon those in charge of the training of the children, but that there is no other way to prepare for a proper observance of the Pope's decree.

He says that for some time he has given his personal attention to the matter in connection with the choir and schools connected with the Cathedral parish, and is able to announce that, although the difficulties were large, the results are consoling and satisfactory in an encouraging degree.

DOVER CHOSEN

AS SECRETARY OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—Elmer Dover, assistant secretary of the republican national committee, and private secretary of the late Senator Hanna, will succeed Perry S. Heath as secretary of the committee. The appointment will be announced this week by Acting Chairman Payne. Mr. Dover will serve until the new committee meets at Chicago, and it is now altogether probable that if he cares to serve he will be chosen as the permanent secretary. It is understood that the president and Mr. Payne both favor this action, as Mr. Dover is familiar with the work and has shown marked adaptability for the place. His long and valuable service with Senator Hanna, by whom he was trusted with many important matters, has given him a wide acquaintance with republicans in all parts of the country.

William F. Stone, collector of customs at Baltimore, who was appointed sergeant-at-arms of the republican national committee, tendered his resignation last week upon hearing of the death of Marcus A. Hanna, by whom he was appointed. Today Mr. Payne notified him that his services were needed by the committee, and that his resignation could not be accepted.

REGULAR MEETING

NEW MEMBERS WERE ADMITTED TO CARPENTERS' UNION.

The French Carpenters' union, No. 1610, held its regular meeting last evening at 23 Middle street. It was voted to hold a general public meeting to take action on the proposed affiliation of the Carpenters with the Structural Workers of America. This affiliation, if resolved upon, will go into effect on April 4 next.

Four new members were admitted and four new applications received.

BAZAAR OPENED

By General Fiske Lodge I. O. G. T.

A good sized audience last evening assisted at the opening of the fair held under the auspices of General Fiske lodge, No. 44, I. O. G. T., at Highland hall, which will continue this evening with an elaborate program.

Many prettily decorated booths are arranged about the hall and these did a rushing business during the evening.

Conspicuous among the booths was that dedicated to America and England and decorated with the national colors of the two countries, the decorations surmounted by the inscription, "Two Friends." Within the booth were two pretty little misses, Mina F. Brooks, representing America, and Alice Ingham, representing England.

The other tables arranged on either side of the hall represent the four seasons, "Spring, summer, autumn and winter." The table denominated "Spring," was decorated in rose pink and nile green and contained fancy articles, useful as well as ornamental and was in charge of Mrs. Arthur S. Locke assisted by Mrs. Albert E. Brooks, Mrs. C. H. Bartlett, Miss Mildred Locke, Mrs. Edith Coggeshall and Miss Hattie Johnson.

The table designated "Summer," was set off in national colors and contained sweet meats of all kinds and was in charge of Mrs. D. H. Chandler, who was assisted by Mrs. Peter Savard, Miss Alice Morse, Miss Gertrude Moore, Miss Lizzie Chandler.

On the opposite side of the hall from the summer table was arranged the fortune teller's booth in charge of Madame Lucinda while adjoining was the "Autumn" booth. This was set off with boughs of trees and greenery emblematic of the autumnal season. On this table were for sale canned goods, fancy crackers and pop corn. It was in charge of Mrs. Agnes Clough, assisted by Mr. Alex Davis, William Davis, Lillian Dana, and Edna Dana.

Next came the peanut stand decorated with American flags and in charge of Mr. D. N. Jones.

The table designated "Winter" had a roof representing snow and was in charge of Mrs. Hattie Jones assisted by Miss May Kendall and Miss Bertha Ober.

The ice cream department was in charge of Mr. D. H. Chandler and Mrs. L. S. Wood assisted by Miss Jane Short, Mrs. Addie Hunt, Mrs. Harrison, Mrs. Hilt, Mrs. George McDonald. The waitresses were: Mrs. Grace Maguire, Miss Mabel Hunt, Mrs. Edith Coggeshall, Miss Lillian Wood and Mrs. Arthur Matheson. During the evening the ladies of the Highland M. E. church held their monthly supper in the banquet hall. During the evening Rev. S. D. Millin, pastor of the Mt. Vernon Free Baptist church rendered several highly entertaining recitations. Tonight there will be music by an orchestra of nine pieces, and there will be singing by Master Leo Mayo. General Fiske lodge was organized six years ago last August in the basement of the Highland M. E. church during the pastorate of Rev. Charles Tilton, starting with a membership of eleven. For three years the meetings were held in the above mentioned church basement when its present quarters in Highland hall were secured. Its present membership is about fifty while it had at one time a membership roll of 180. Its present Chief Templar is Mr. Henry C. Flanders, while among its past chief templars were besides the present chief, Arthur Clough, Arthur Armistead, George McDonald, Archibald Pelton, Adolph Myrick, J. Burdick, Mrs. Agnes Clough, Charles Petrie, D. H. Jones, Mrs. D. H. Jones.

LIVELY DEBATE

BY THE FRANKLIN DEBATING CLUB.

The regular meeting of the Franklin Debating club was held last night and an interesting report was read by the committee in charge of the recent debate held at the Branch Street Tabernacle. It is the intention of the club in the near future to carry on a debate with the Solon Stevens Debating club.

The literary program of the evening was a debate on the question: "Resolved, That Russia should accede to Japan's demands." The affirmative side was upheld by Hazen Pillsbury and John Finch, while the arguments for the negative were presented by George Moss and F. J. Begley. The judges, John H. Murphy, George McElroy and M. O'Donoghue, decided in favor of the affirmative. The critic was Harold Caverly.

ACCUSED RIVAL

GIRL SAID SHE GAVE HER RIVAL POISONED CANDY.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 25.—Holding an inoffensive gumdrop in her fingers, Christina Perfetto, aged 16, accompanied by her father, appealed to the police yesterday to have her rival, Mary Grandenetti, arrested for an alleged attempt to kill her by poisoned sweetmeats. According to Miss Perfetto, she worked in the buckle factory with the two Grandenetti girls, Mary and Jennie, and the three were bosom friends until Nicholas Potenti, who had been Mary's beau, transferred his attentions to herself. Since then the Grandenetti sisters had had nothing to do with her until yesterday morning, when she accepted three large, luscious gumdrops from Jennie as a peace offering.

One of the candies she ate, but, biting into the second, she detected the smell of ammonia, and then the bitter taste of the candy alarmed her. She quit work at once and marched home with the third gumdrop to show her parents, who immediately demanded of the police the arrest of the entire Grandenetti family. To the great disgust of the Perfettos, Capt. Brewer was unable to assist them in any manner, beyond recommending the use of a stomach pump.

FIGHT IN COURTS

To Settle the Workmen's Trouble

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—As an outcome of yesterday's election at the convention of the Massachusetts grand lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, the state body is threatened with disruption and the contest between the factions reached a point where it is predicted that the quarrel will be carried into the courts. The division came yesterday when John Symonds of Lynn was elected grand master workman over A. L. Bateman of Norwood. Symonds was a candidate of the party supporting the action of the state body which last November voted to withdraw from the supreme lodge. Mr. Bateman was the candidate of the minority who favored a reconsideration of the action taken last fall. The vote was 304 to 169.

Although the rupture has been regarded as almost certain, it came rather suddenly last night. The business of the organization was nearly completed with the election of officers in the afternoon. Last night when the motion was made to proceed with installation of officers, Supreme Workman Wm. H. Miller of St. Louis declined to install the newly elected ones, or to permit any other supreme officer present to do so on the ground that the grand lodge was guilty of insubordination in refusing to vote in favor of continuing the guaranty fund. He therefore declared that the grand lodge was in revolt and asked those who were loyal to the supreme lodge and its officers to leave the hall and go across the corridor into an adjoining hall with him, which they did. Here a meeting lasting more than an hour was held, at which several speeches were made.

Supreme Master Workman Miller assured those who had followed him that the full strength of the order would be guaranteed those who had taken the action he asked, and their certificates would be protected by the 430,000 members represented outside of those who, he claimed, had by their action seceded from the order.

Meanwhile the majority of the representatives who had won in the election, and who were hostile to the supreme officers proceeded to transact business and elected other officers as follows:

Isaac W. C. Webster, grand foreman; James J. Reedy, grand overseer; Chas. Fearing, grand recorder; Thomas F. Temple, grand receiver.

A lengthy resolution, authorizing the corporation to proceed and conduct the business under the Massachusetts charter of the grand lodge, regardless of any action of the supreme lodge, was then adopted, and the gathering resolved itself again into a meeting of the grand lodge and authorized the payment by the grand receiver Thomas F. Temple of the expenses of the delegates. Both factions adjourned about the same time.

JUROR'S FAMILY

Infatuated With Car Barn Bandit

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Mayor Harrison appeared in court yesterday as a witness against the car barn bandits. The mayor testified against the claim that the confessions of the defendants were secured by intimidation and force.

Judge Kersten learned yesterday that the mother and sister of one of the jurors had become apparently infatuated with Gustav Marx, one of the defendants, and were sending to Marx in his cell in the county jail daily, gifts of fruit and flowers. The women have been constant attendants at the proceedings ever since the hearing of testimony began and have been in communication with the jurors. Judge Kersten instructed the bailiffs to permit no intercourse between the juror and his family.

GRANITEVILLE

Despite the inclemency of the weather there was a large attendance at the Washington party held in the M. E. church in Graniteville Monday night. A good old-fashioned supper was served from 6.30 till 8.30 o'clock. After the supper a short musical entertainment was held, the program being as follows: Chorus, "Auld Lang Syne," "Star Spangled Banner," choir; solo, "Out on the Deep," Rev. C. C. P. Hiller; solo and chorus, "Consult Jedediah," Mr. Alfred Prinn, Miss Daisy Bent, Miss Emily Prinn, Mr. Stephen Gardell; chorus, "Invitation," choir, solo, "The Sword of Bunker Hill," Mr. Charles Smith; piano duet, Miss Normington and Miss Sargent; solo, selected, Miss Carmichael; solo, "Monarch of the Woods," Rev. C. C. P. Hiller; solos and chorus, "Swanee River," Miss Carmichael, soloist; solo, "Grandma's Advice," Mrs. Charles Wright; chorus, "God Bless Our Native Land," choir.

The baseball enthusiasts of Graniteville are beginning to get ready for the coming season and a meeting will be held Friday night to see whether or not that town will be represented in the Stony Brook league. The object is to form a six-club league and having the following clubs in line: Shirley, Littleton, Graniteville, West Chelmsford, North Chelmsford and Middlesex.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE.

A meeting of the committee in charge of the St. Patrick's day parade was held last night and encouraging reports were read by several committees sent out recently to invite out of town delegations to participate in the parade. After the meeting Chief Marshal John J. O'Connell and the marshals of the different divisions met to lay out the route of parade and make up the roster.

ADVERSE REPORT

On Governor Bates' License Measure

In the lower branch of the legislature yesterday the committee on liquor law reported "ought not to pass" on a bill, in line with the recommendation of Gov. Bates, calling for the payment of one-half of the fees from liquor licenses to the state, instead of one-fourth, as at present.

Representatives Gardiner of Raynham and Richardson of Millis of the house dissent.

It is understood that Representative Newton of Everett will ask to have the report tabled today until other similar matters, which relate to increasing the revenue of the commonwealth, shall have been reported upon.

It is believed at the state house that a sharp fight in behalf of the bill will be made by the supporters of the governor.

The committee on liquor law reported adversely on the petition of representative J. J. Good of ward 17 that only residents of Boston shall be licensed to sell intoxicating liquors in Boston.

Representative Walker of Waltham and Representative Wheatley of North Abington had a wordy debate over a bill to provide for the better examination of bodies before embalming or burial. The committee on public health reported that the bill ought not to pass, and Mr. Walker challenged that report. He said that he believed there were many cases of burial when the person was not dead. The house sustained Mr. Walker and the bill was not rejected, but was given its first reading.

The committee on education reported reference to the next general court on the petition of Mrs. H. H. A. Beach for state supervision of the instruction of music in the public schools.

The committee on judiciary reported adversely on the petition of Representative D. P. Keefe of Fall River to prevent the sale of theatre tickets by speculators.

The committee on education reported favorably on a bill to incorporate the Boston Y. M. C. A. and give it the right to grant degrees. Representative Allen of Brockton dissents.

JAMES LEE DEAD

HE WAS THE INVENTOR OF THE LEE RIFLE.

BRANFORD, Conn., Feb. 25.—James Parish Lee, the inventor of the Lee rifle, died last night at Fort Beach after a lingering illness.

Mr. Lee was born in Hawkiet, Scotland, 57 years ago. He was the inventor of the Lee-Enfield rifle, used by British army and also of the Lee rifle used by the United States government several years ago.

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The Number of Policies in force is greater than that of any other Company in America and greater than that of all the Regular Life Insurance Companies put together (less one) and can only be appreciated by comparison. It is a greater number than the COMBINED POPULATION of Connecticut, Vermont, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Delaware, Florida, Colorado, Oregon, Washington, Wyoming, Nevada, Montana, Idaho, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Alaska, Arizona, New Mexico, District of Columbia, Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Hawaii; or as to CITIES it is as many as the population of Greater New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston and St. Louis combined.

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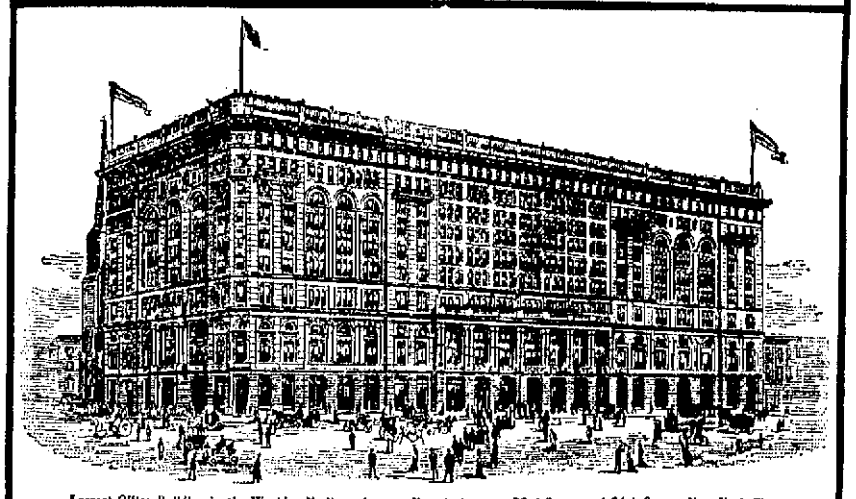

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This Company's Policy-claims paid in 1903 averaged in number one for each minute and a third of each business day of 8 hours each, and, in amount, $89.00 a minute the year through.

THE DAILY AVERAGE OF THE COMPANY'S BUSINESS DURING 1903 WAS:

359 per day in Number of Claims Paid.
6,297 per day in Number of Policies Issued.
$1,303,559.06 per day in New Insurance Written.
$98,582.76 per day in Payments to Policy-holders and addition to Reserve.
$53,841.18 per day in Increase of Assets.

Income in 1903 ..... **$49,887,804.11**
Gain over 1902 ..... **6,551,520.50**
Asset increase in 1903 ..... **16,475,402.61**

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ASSETS

United States, City and R. R. Bonds and Stocks	$48,175,913.27
Bonds and Mortgages	31,814,193.06
Real Estate	14,835,140.61
Cash	5,301,220.90
Loans to Policyholders	1,850,144.14
Premiums, deferred, and in course of collection (Net)	3,000,401.30
Accrued Interest, Rents, etc	679,298.32
	$105,656,311.60

LIABILITIES

Reinsurance Fund and Special Reserves	$94,008,251.00
All other Liabilities	956,188.04
Capital and Surplus	10,691,872.56
	$105,656,311.60

Paid to Policyholders since Organization, plus the Amount now Invested for their Security, **$238,295,968.84**

Number of Policies in Force . . . **7,523,915**

Amount of Outstanding Insurance . . . **$1,342,381,457.00**

Amount of Insurance Issued in 1903 . . **$398,889,074.00**

In its Ordinary Department policies are issued for from $1,000 to $1,000,000 on individual lives, premiums payable annually, semi-annually and quarterly. In its Industrial Department policies are issued on all the insurable members of the family for weekly premiums.

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RECORD OF GROWTH IN TEN YEAR PERIODS

INCOME	ASSETS	SURPLUS	POLICIES IN FORCE	OUTSTANDING INSURANCE	
1883—$2,082,619.05	$2,186,622.24	$627,368.24	531,048	$63,425,107.00	—1883
1893—15,216,236.65	19,343,705.06	4,109,689.92	2,940,226	358,177,217.00	—1893
1903—49,887,804.11	105,656,311.60	10,691,872.56	7,523,915	1,342,381,457.00	—1903

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DANGER IN RIVER

Of Ice Pack at Tyngs Island

WHEN ICE BEGINS TO FLOW

Mayor Howe and Engineer Mills Confer

Engineer Mills of the Locks and Canals company was a visitor at Mayor Howe's office at city hall this morning and while there his honor asked the veteran engineer as to the danger of an ice pack at Pawtucket falls when the river begins to run high.

Mr. Mills was of the opinion that there is no great fear of a bad situation at the falls but he fears that the ice may collect in the vicinity of Tyngs island where the river takes a sharp bend at a point where it is particularly narrow and in that case the surrounding country is in danger of being flooded.

The rain of Monday had little effect on the river as it was not of sufficient volume but it is expected that it will begin to rise in a few weeks.

OLD COLONY RAILROAD

MAKES A NEW ISSUE OF BONDS.

BOSTON, Feb., 25--The state board of railroad commissioners today after a brief hearing approved the issue of $498,000 four per cent. twenty one year bonds of the Old Colony railroad, to refund a like amount of four and one-half per cent. bonds due April 1. President Choate appeared for the road.

STEAMERS COLLIDED

ONE OF THEM WAS IN SINKING CONDITION.

LONDON, Feb. 25--The British steamer Lake Michigan, Capt. Owen, from St. John, N. B., Feb. 5, and Halifax, Feb. 8, for London, which came into collision with the British bark Matterhorn on Friday last, and was beached in a sinking condition near Dungeness in the straits of Dover, has been floated and towed to this port.

SHOT AT GUARDS

More Trouble at Ansonia This Morning

ANSONIA, Conn., Feb. 25.—For the second time within a few days, shots were fired early today in the vicinity of the bridge which is being erected by the Boston Bridge company for the Berkshire division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad, across the Naugatuck river. Since the unsuccessful attempt on the night of Feb. 1 to dynamite the bridge, guards have been stationed there and it is supposed that the shots were fired at the guards though none took effect. The firing was heard an hour before daylight. Several persons who were on their way to work at that time were held up and closely questioned by the guards but no clue to the source of the shots was obtained. A similar incident took place last Tuesday morning. At the time of the attempt to dynamite the structure the police took the view that parties having alleged grievances against the contractors who had declined to discharge non-union men, were responsible for the outrage. Since then detectives employed by the railroad and the contractors have been working with the local authorities on the case but the identity of the dynamiters has not been revealed. Tonight the guard at the bridge will be doubled.

MEMBERS OF A. O. U. W.

WANT TO KNOW JUST WHERE THEY STAND.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—The courts, which already have been invoked in connection with the controversy between the Massachusetts lodge, A. O. U. W., and the supreme lodge of the order, will be called upon to settle the question who are the legal officers. Members of the order who in Massachusetts number about 11,000 persons were making inquiries today as to their position with reference to the grand lodge, in view of the split which occurred yesterday over the question of the jurisdiction of the supreme lodge. As a result of the proceedings there are two sets of officers, one elected by the Massachusetts grand lodge in convention, but refused recognition by the supreme body, and the other chosen by a faction which under direction of the supreme officers withdrew from the convention. The latter have been officially recognized by the supreme master workman. The convention officers, however, claim to have been legally elected by the Massachusetts grand lodge In view of these conflicting claims, it was the prevailing opinion among members of the order in this city that the courts, which already have been petitioned to compel the Massachusetts lodge to pay assessments to the supreme lodge, will be asked to decide who are its legal officers.

CONSUL CHESHIRE

ON HIS WAY TO THE ORIENT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 25.—Fleming D. Cheshire, the newly appointed United States consul to Mukden, one of the three American representatives named for Manchurian ports under the provisions of the treaty of last October has arrived here en route to the Orient. Regarding the recent announcement that Russia will object to the new consuls assuming their functions in Manchuria, Consul Cheshire has received no advices and he will sail tomorrow.

SIX ARRESTED

MEN ACCUSED OF INCITING A RIOT.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Feb. 25.—Six men have been arrested and placed in jail charged with inciting a riot which threatened violence to Jerry Dugins, the self-confessed murderer of Mrs. Benjamin Ramsey and her two children. More arrests are expected.

COUNTESS ARRESTED

SHE TRIED TO SHOOT CAPTAIN GILPIN.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 25.—A special to the Post-Intelligencer, from Dawson says that Count and Countess Morawewski are in Nome jail, charged with attempting to murder Capt. William Gilpin, a former friend. Their bonds are fixed at $5000. The trouble took place at the Russian mission where the countess tried to shoot the captain She did not succeed because he had taken the powder out of the cartridges.

AN INVESTIGATION

OF WORKINGS OF CHICAGO'S BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—The city council has passed a resolution authorizing the mayor to appoint a special committee of three aldermen to investigate the present workings of the building department. The action is admittedly the result of the report of the grand jury on the Iroquois theatre fire catastrophe.

The council has reconsidered its recent order allowing the Cleveland theatre to open in violation of the new theatre ordinance.

STORES ENTERED

VERY LITTLE OF VALUE WAS STOLEN.

HINGHAM, Mass., Feb. 25—Six stores in this town were broken into early today, but little of value was stolen, the largest amount of money missing being $27 from a grocery store. Entrance was gained in each case by smashing a window and it is believed the burglars were non-professionals.

GOT A PERMIT

M. COHEN RESPECTS THE BUILDING ORDINANCE.

A law-abiding man is M. Cohen of Howard street, and when he decided to build a shed he was told that the ordinances required owners to get permits for any new buildings before erecting them. Accordingly he called on Supt. Conlon at City hall this morning and got a permit to build a shed 10x7x13 feet in dimensions. Cohen could have built the shed almost in the time it took him to walk to City hall and back, but he wanted the thing built according to law.

SANITARY COMMITTEE

WILL MEET AT CITY HALL FRIDAY.

The committee on sanitaries, Councilman J. J. Hayes, chairman, will meet on Friday evening at 8 o'clock at City hall.

DISASTROUS FIRE

BUSINESS PORTION OF TOWN WIPED OUT.

CONNEAT HARBOR, Ohio., Feb. 25.--Fire today practically wiped out the business portion of Conneat Harbor. Among the buildings burned were the Mutual block and the Marine bank building with their contents, including the Marine bank, the post office and several stores. Loss estimated at $100,000.

CONOR O'KELLY SAILS.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—Conor O'Kelly, nationalist member of parliament for the north division of Mayo, is a passenger on the White Star line steamer Oceanic, which sailed today from Queenstown for New York. He expects to remain four months in America.

WILL JOIN FEDERATION.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Feb. 25—At a conference yesterday between Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor and delegates of the two Porto Rican labor unions, representing all the organized labor of the island, Mr. Gompers urged their amalgamation under the American Federation of Labor. A resolution to this effect was adopted by the delegates and will be voted upon by the unions March 12.

THE MAINE A. O. U. W.

WATERVILLE, Me., Feb. 25.--The report of Grand Recorder A. G. Andrews of Augusta, before the grand lodge, Ancient Order United Workmen, today showed a total membership of 7,321. The total receipts were $201,003; the disbursements $184,901; and the balance on hand $16,189. There have been 91 deaths during the year. The convention was an harmonious one, as the internal troubles which predominated at the convention of the Massachusetts grand body yesterday were amicably settled at a special sessions two months ago by a vote to adopt the new rates imposed by the supreme lodge.

LOSS IS $30,000.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.- Fire in the subcellar of the 23-story building of the American Tract society, corner of Nassau and Spruce streets, early today filled the lofty sky-scraper with dense clouds of smoke and caused damage estimated at $30,000.

$10,000 FOR HOSPITAL.

CALAIS, Me., Feb. 25.--Chipman hospital, St. Stephen, N. B., is beneficiary to extent of $10,000 and St. Andrews cemetery to the extent of $500 by the will of Owen Jones of London, who was a native of St. Andrews.

WAS FOUND DEAD

Arthur Lesage Died in His Room

EVIDENTLY VICTIM OF HEART FAILURE

He Had Worked in the Merrimack Mills

Arthur Lesage, aged 35 years, was found dead in bed in his boarding house at 392 Market street. Mr. Lesage was employed in the Merrimack storehouse and yesterday complained of feeling ill and left his work to go to his room to rest. He told Mr. Lavigne, the boarding house keeper, that he was not feeling well and would not go to work until the following day.

Late in the afternoon Mr. Lavigne went up to Mr. Lesage's room to give the latter some dinner, but his raps on the door were not answered. Opening the door Mr. Lavigne saw the body of Mr. Lesage lying on the bed lifeless. Death was due to heart failure.

He was a native of Canada and he lived in Lowell about nine years. Besides his brother, who lives here, he leaves three sisters, Mrs. Alexis Rivard and Mrs. Pierre Lafrenlere of Louisville, Que., and Mrs. Charles Maille of Sherbrooke.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

HAM ARRESTED

Charged With Larceny of $104,000

WAS MANAGER OF AMERICAN SURETY CO.

He Disappeared and Gave Himself up

BOSTON, Feb. 25—Wallace H. Ham, manager of the Boston office of the American Surety Co., of New York was arrested here today charged with the larceny of $104,000 from the company. It is alleged that Ham appropriated that sum of money by converting to his own use various amounts during the past year. The warrant was issued today by the municipal court on information furnished by officials of the surety company from the headquarters of the concern in New York city.

Ham is 48 years of age. His home is in Brookline. He is married and has several children.

The Boston office of the American Surety Co., is at 89 State street. The company does a general business in furnishing surety on court contracts and fidelity bonds. Ham learned of the fact that a warrant had been issued for his arrest. When the inspectors called at the office to take him into custody he had disappeared. Later he returned and notified police headquarters that he was ready to answer to any charge against him. He was then placed under arrest.

The American Surety Co., issued the following statement:

"The net shortage of Wallace H. Ham, who is treasurer of St. Luke's Home for convalescents, treasurer of St. Paul's church, this city, and manager of the American Surety company of New York is about the sum of $190,000 in three accounts, but the amount chargeable to each account cannot be accurately stated until final audit of the three accounts. The American Surety Co., of New York has forthwith by direction of its executive committee caused the arrest of Wallace H. Ham, and has already charged off out of its surplus of $2,408,281, its estimated proportions."

HOTEL BURNED

FIRE CAUSED BY AN OVERHEATED STOVE.

NORTH BROOKFIELD, Mass., Feb. 25—Hotel Dewey, a wooden building here, was burned early today. No one was in the hotel at the time. Mrs. Rose Morrison, the proprietress, who also conducted a store on the street floor, places her loss at $9000, with insurance of $7000. It is supposed that the fire was caused by an overheated stove.

OUTBREAK OF DIPHTHERIA.

SAN JUAN, P. R., Feb. 25—An outbreak of diphtheria has occurred on board the United States training ship Mononghela. The entire crew has been ordered ashore and the ship will be disinfected. Twenty-two cases of apprentices suffering from sore throats are under observation in the tents of the marine hospital. No fatalities are feared.

ARRIVED AT PORT SAID.

PORT SAID, Egypt, Feb. 25—The United States torpedo boat destroyer flotilla, escorted by the auxiliary cruiser Buffalo, has arrived here on its way to the Philippines.

The vessels had a rough trip, but sustained no damage.

KILLED IN MILL

Operative Whirled Around Shafting

LAWRENCE, Feb. 25—A fatality occurred at the Upper Pacific mills yesterday afternoon. William Burns, an employe of the dyeing department connected with the print works, was the victim.

The body of Burns was found under a broken belt at the end of a washing machine, which he was running. It is not known just how he met his death as there was not a single witness to the accident.

It is supposed, however, that he was caught in a belt and carried over the shafting.

His body was considerably bruised and cut.

When found the injured man was unconscious. He never rallied to tell how the accident occurred.

A physician was hastily summoned, but his services were of no avail.

Burns died in a short time after being found by his fellow employes.

Burns was a competent employe, having operated the machine on which he was working for 13 years. It was his regular duty to work on this machine.

Burns was about 30 years old and resided at 7 Chestnut street. The remains were turned over to a local undertaker.

SAILOR'S BODY FOUND.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The body of a sailor named McCumber (one of the crew of the wrecked schooner Benjamin C. Cromwell) was picked up on the beach 14 miles east of Bellport, L. I., today. This is the second body recovered, the body of the captain having been found yesterday.

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LIQUOR CASES

One Defendant Was Fined Fifty Dollars

THE DRESS SUIT CASE IS "MARKED"

Woman Failed to Answer Police Summons

The dress suit case is "marked" as an instrument used in illegal liquor traffic.

In court today Judge Hadley remarked during the trial of the liquor case against Zepherin Poitras, in which a dress suit case figured, that it is common knowledge that persons engaged in the illegal sale or illegal keeping of liquor have made use of the dress suit case as a means of transportation of liquor.

Last Saturday night the liquor squad went to the home of the defendant, rear of 701 Merrimack street, and found Poitras and two men in the kitchen. Poitras had a dress suit case containing 24 empty beer bottles. There was a pillow slip containing more empty beer bottles. On the floor were four bottles of beer and a gallon jug filled with whiskey. When Poitras saw the officers he left the house in a hurry. On the witness stand he testified that he went out to Campau street to play a game of cards with Joe Beausoleil and he did not return until Sunday morning. He admitted that he did not remain at his own home last night as his wife was afraid he would be arrested. The government tried to get him to admit that he has been in the habit of bottling the beer at some place and bringing the bottles to his house but he denied this. He said that he goes to Lawrence each week and brings up a case of beer in a dress suit case and also some whiskey. He could not tell the name of the dealer from whom he bought the liquor but said the place is on Common street. Another fact brought out by the prosecution was that the bottles had different labels on them.

Judge Hadley in summing up said that persons have a right to have liquor in their house in a reasonable quantity for their own use. In this case he said there were circumstances that went to show guilt on the part of the defendant. It was then that the court made reference to the dress suit case figuring in so many cases of illegal keeping and selling.

Poitras was fined $50 and he went into his pocket and pulled out a roll from which he tripped five $10 notes and handed them to the clerk of the court.

FAILED TO APPEAR.

When the case of Isadore and Annie Dyer was called Mrs. Dyer failed to respond. Her husband was in court and said that his wife was not on hand but that she had come down town this morning.

The officers stated that they had notified her to appear in court this morning and they could not account for her absence. The court ordered a warrant issued for her arrest. Then Deputy Welch told her husband to have her come to the station this afternoon or he will be compelled to send an officer after her. The Dyers were accused of illegally keeping liquor at their home in Chelmsford street. A continuance of the case for one week was granted and bail for the husband was fixed at $300. When his bondsman appeared it was learned that he owned a cottage house valued at about $1,000, on which there is a mortgage of $250, and so he was not accepted. He was told to get someone else and he left court on his mission while Dyer was sent down below.

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WAS WELL FIXED

Henry Monahan Had Good Roll

Henry Monahan blew into town from Warren, N. H., yesterday and had about $40 lying loose in his pockets. Henry got partly well loaded during his travels around town and finally fell into the hands of a policeman who showed a charitable spirit by providing a ride in the patrol wagon for Henry. This morning he was the only drunk before the court and he was fined $2 and advised to return to Warren, N. H.

OUT ON STRIKE

PANTS MAKERS WANT NINE-HOUR DAY.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—About 320 pants makers of this city went out on a strike today because their employers refused to grant a 9-hour day at a 10-hour rate of wages. The strikers are all members of Pants Makers' union 173. Some of the large employing firms have signed the union agreement but many of the smaller concerns who are banded together as the Contractors' association, have refused.

REPORT DENIED

BRITISH TROOPS WERE NOT ORDERED TO INDIA.

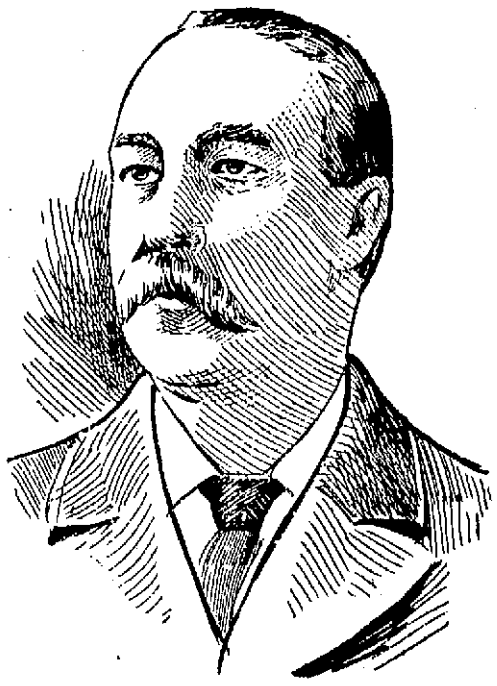
LONDON, Feb. 25.—The war office tells the Associated Press that there is no truth whatever in the rumor published yesterday by the Manchester Despatch that the first (British) army corps had been ordered to hold itself in readiness to depart for India within a few days.

PRESIDENT HARPER ILL.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—President Wm. R. Harper of the University of Chicago, has suffered a recurrence of his recent attack of appendicitis and again is under the closest attention of his physicians. It is feared at the university that his recent trip in the east caused his malady to return in a more serious form than before.

WOMAN MAY RECOVER.

PORTLAND, Me., Feb. 25.—Mrs. Charles E. Laubrich, who was shot by her husband at midnight, just before he put a bullet through his own brain, was resting comfortably at the Maine General hospital today. The outcome of her wound is problematical, but the physicians believe she has a chance for recovery.



CHIEF JOSEPH E. SHAW, WHO SUCCEEDS THE LATE CHIEF WADE AS HEAD OF THE DISTRICT POLICE.

MAJ. POLLARD DEAD.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 25.—Henry M. Pollard, a prominent attorney and former member of congress from Missouri is dead, aged 68. During the Civil war he was a major under Gen. Philip H. Sheridan.

LIABILITIES DISCHARGED.

VIENNA, Feb. 25.—The Turkish banking house of Mathias Russo, which has been reported to be in difficulties has, it is announced, fully discharged all its liabilities.

FRENCH MISSION

GREAT CROWDS AT BOTH SERVICES LAST NIGHT.

At the women's mission in St. Jean Baptist church, last evening, Rev. Fr. Deguire, O. M. I., preached a practical sermon on the "Cure of Daughters." Mrs. Elzear H. Choquette sang Bertini's "Ecce Panis" and the choir sang chr's "Tantum Ergo." At St. Joseph's church Rev. Fr. LeVacon, O. M. I., preached on the subject of "Conjugal Life and its Duties." Mrs. Joseph H. Bergeron and Mrs. Joseph Barry rendered Rosewig's "Ave Maris Stella."

FR. CALLAHAN

PREACHED AT ST. JOHN'S TUESDAY.

Rev. Michael J. Callahan of Beverly, formerly curate of St. John's church, North Chelmsford, occupied the pulpit at St. John's Tuesday evening.

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Parisian Suggestions For the Fancy Dress Ball Costume

PARIS, Jan. 16.—Paris is ringing with the wonderful success of Sarah Bernhardt in one of her old time parts, half dove, half tiger, provided for her by that past master of dramatic art, Victorien Sardou. The "divine Sarah" seems in this play to have reverted once more to

DIRECTOIRE.

the electrifying power and magnetic charm of her "La Tosca" and "Fedora" triumphs. This marvelous woman whom age cannot wither or custom stale has once more drawn all Paris to her feet. The new romance, "La Sorciere," deals with the Moors and Spaniards in the sixteenth century, and nothing can be recalled by the most inveterate theater goers of the gay capital to rival in magnificence of mounting this mediæval drama. There was a murmur of admiration at the scene showing Toledo by moonlight, with its bridge spanning the Tagus, bringing out all the picturesqueness typical of this quaint old Spanish city.

Mme. Bernhardt never plays better than when surrounded by the trappings, ornaments and jewels of a despotic epoch, and in this latest success her artistic powers have a splendid field. In the first act she appeared gowned in a gorgeous garment of voile glittering in silver, and the audience at once fell under her hypnotic influence. I wonder whether Mrs. Leslie Carter in America will interpret this fascinating character of Zoraya?

In the social world the "bal costume" has been interesting the smart set to the exclusion of all else in the way of amusements; consequently the fashionable mondaine is making a study of the most effective and picturesque points in the costumes of all nations.

Everything American has a great vogue here; the Yankee highball is acclimated and the national game of poker is quite at home in its Parisian surroundings. In the fancy costume line the Indian squaw, the cowboy and the Puritan maiden figure prominently. It is also considered very smart by ex-

BRETON GIRL.

clusive hostesses to have a cakewalk done en costume at their fancy balls. The French themselves, while seeking abroad for ideas, have a bountiful supply at home upon which the rest of the world is very fond of drawing.

Noticeable in this line are the artistic possibilities of the empire and directoire periods in sartorial affairs. Brocades which even Watteau would envy and like to paint are to be picked up not for a song, but in sufficient lengths from which to fashion a ball dress of this era. A scant skirt of the empire days is lovely when made with a wide ruching of plain silk in a contrasting shade around the bottom. The

NORWEGIAN PEASANT.

short bolero on this costume is of moss green velvet if the skirt material is of a peachy tint. The revers and high, flaring collar are embroidered in gold galloon. A quaint high bonnet of shirred silk having a saucy bunch of flowers perched on the crown in front should accompany the empire frock.

A directoire toilet will transform a stately beauty into a regular grande dame. This gown is very like the empire in its makeup, excepting the bonnet, which is a large three cornered hat, with a cockade well up at the side. When the directoire costume is affected, a La Tosca stick is a dainty trifle to carry.

The Breton peasant in her picturesque dress offers a good suggestion for a fancy ball gown. Her skirt is of wide striped blue and white cotton, over which is worn a long, sheer white apron reaching almost to the hem of the frock. A low, white muslin chemisette, a tiny jacket coming in a point to the bust line and puffed sleeves with turned back white cuffs complete the dress. The headpiece is a fearful and wonderful specimen of sartorial architecture and looks like a miniature windmill of white muslin placed on each side of the head with big, round buttons or cabochons and banded, coronet fashion, with a twist of black velvet.

The Norwegian peasant in bright national costume is a model not to be overlooked. A full red skirt of crape or some soft voile or cashmere is trimmed above the hem with a design of leaves cut out of silk and appliqued with Grecian embroidery silk. The white filet net apron is treated in the same way. The full bodice is of royal blue with a wide band of black velvet ribbon flanked by two narrower bands sewed across the bust. Outlining the low neck is a latticework of baby velvet ribbon. The sleeves are long and

VIVANDIERE.

full, of the bishop style, without being banded. A tall, pointed cap of muslin with a fall of material at the ears is the rather trying headgear to be donned with the Norwegian dress.

Very fascinating and fetching is the vivandiere or daughter of the regiment costume. A short accordion plaited skirt of white is worn under a military coat of belligerent red elaborately braided in gold bullion with all the trappings of war. With gold epaulets, a drum slung rakishly over the shoulder and a colonel's chapeau on a fluffy head, what girl is there who wouldn't like to be a military woman for an evening at least?

"Miss Ribbons" is a dainty creation. This fluffy little lady has in her costume bolts upon bolts of ribbon of all widths which may be of harmonizing colors or, better still, different shades of one color. A fringe of inch wide ribbon forms a ruffle over a "drop" of silk. Running horizontally from the knee up in princess style are more rows of ribbon. The waist has a wide sash starting from the side seam and drawn up at the shoulder with an immense chou of loops with long flowing ends. Straps of ribbon compose what there is of the

RIBBONS.

sleeves. A large poke bonnet of ribbon is held coquettishly under the chin with a careless, loose bow.

Weird and spooky is the "bat" costume. Gun metal gray tulle plaited and held close to the figure above the knees, then allowed to flare at the feet, is covered with bats cut out of black velvet and glued here and there over the dress. Huge specimens of this grewsome bat family form the corsage and head trimming. A cloak somewhat on the Red Riding Hood order with the front eliminated and the back cut into sections like bat wings is lined with silver tissue and fastened securely over the head at the throat. To make the picture realistic the arms must be held extended their full length to give the winglike appearance.

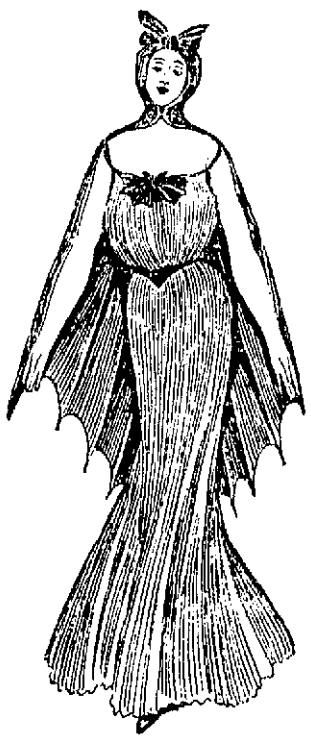
The Spanish dancer, with her castanets, is always a graceful figure in the ballroom. Flame colored, spangled tulle is a charming fabric for this costume. The bodice is of satin in a lighter shade of yellow, with bolero and long, tight fitting sleeves of black velvet. Outlining the jacket and running down the front of the skirt is a shawl shaped ornamentation of knotted chenille in different colors shading from flame to bright pink. The hair is arranged high and caught with a tall comb of Spanish workmanship with perhaps the additional adornment of a red rose or two.

The costumes described are only a few of the many phases of the fancy ball gown. There are historical, mythological and grotesque creations galore, but these frocks have the advantage of being easy to duplicate and not extravagant as to price.

I had really forgotten that the item of expense is tabooed in this luxurious age, and we hear on all sides that never have toilets been surpassed in costliness since the days of the French empire. It is amusing to see the indifferent air assumed by our elegantes as they fling off scarfs of ermine mixed with priceless lace.

In the coming spring lace is to be extravagantly used, and the coarse variety will have a foremost place on fashion's list, and Irish crochet, which wears like iron, is to be a leading favorite, while lace embroidered with gold thread is a recent debutante among trimmings.

Another feature of the early spring styles is the continuance of the bolero in favor. It may be worked out in va-



A BAT.

rious shapes, but in every instance these jackets will be extremely short.

In the matter of veils La Mode is autocratic. She demands strict adherence to a one toned color scheme. In other words, the hat and veil must match. Fancy white veils are fetching, although trying to a colorless complexion. When worn long and full some of the new "beauty aids" hang quite to the shoulder and require a subtleness of handling which only an artist in the sartorial line may hope to achieve.

Shoes and stockings must needs match. For street wear nothing has superseded the black stocking and shoe in favor. In the evening the swagger woman wears beautifully embroidered and lace trimmed hosiery, although the lace at the ankle to preserve this dainty outline must be narrow and delicately inserted.

Kid and satin are the fashionable materials for the slipper, and their expense is found in the buckle rather than in the embroidery. Patent leather for low shoes is the correct thing.

The latest invention in the up to date jeweler's window is the handkerchief and purse bracelet. In design it is a serpent, fitting closely to the wrist and holding the purse in its coils. There is

SPANISH DANCER.

something very fascinating about the tucking away of a mouchoir in a coat sleeve. The fair sex wisely copied this fancy from the men, but now we have a fashion all our own which is just as attractive.

A pretty and useful addition to my lady's bureau is a silver vase which is made to hold troublesome long hatpins. These vases will be attractive additions to the bureau set, will they not?

CATHERINE TALBOT.

A Virtue of Necessity.

A charming idea is to line a fur cravat with quillings of chiffon, amid which is placed a tiny pocket just large enough to hold a small handkerchief. This fashion is really a useful expedient, as the present day costume has no pocket. The high, shapely belt or vest peeping out from beneath the straight jacket fronts or bolero lapels need not be made unshapely by tucking a handkerchief inside the corsage. Beneath the cravat it is unseen and at the same time is exceptionally handy. An ermine cravat with quillings of green or white mousseline would be a very attractive hiding place for the pocket.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5.45	8.50	6.00	7.04
6.22	7.40	6.30	7.26
a6.30	7.30	7.55	8.55
a6.42	7.55	8.25	9.01
a7.01	8.02	e9.00	9.37
a7.24	8.10	e10.00	10.37
a7.31	8.30	a10.17	11.34
7.45	8.43	e11.30	12.07
8.50	9.40	12.00	12.56
9.40	10.40	e1.00	1.37
11.00	12.03	2.00	3.01
a11.45	12.26	e3.00	3.37
a12.14	1.00	a3.47	5.00
1.40	2.50	4.14	5.30
ea1.50	2.30	e5.00	5.37
a3.03	4.20	5.38	6.26
a3.47	4.50	a5.47	6.34
5.25	5.30	6.14	7.30
ea5.22	6.15	e7.30	8.08
a5.44	7.00	e8.30	9.08
ea6.22	7.05	10.30	11.34
a7.29	8.10	11.20	12.22

WESTERN DIV.

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
6.50	8.00	7.30	8.34
8.00	8.54	9.25	10.32
9.25	10.39	10.45	11.41
10.50	12.00	11.50	1.08
12.05	1.32	2.15	3.19
12.45	1.57	3.30	4.35
2.30	3.35	4.50	5.50
3.10	4.10	6.01	7.05
3.55	5.04	6.35	7.48
5.05	6.43	9.39	10.40
6.15	7.15	B11.15	12.12
7.00	8.08		
9.25	10.30		

SUNDAY TRAINS

Lve.	Arr.	Lve.	Arr.
8.15	9.27	8.50	9.17
12.05	1.24	12.00	1.02
4.05	5.18	5.00	6.27
5.30	6.58		
8.00	9.05		

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SUNDAY TRAINS

a5.39	7.30	9.00	10.00
a7.24	8.10	1.00	1.57
8.45	9.49	5.00	5.58
s9.20	10.13	e7.30	8.08
s4.25	5.30	e8.30	9.08
s5.55	7.00	9.00	10.02

LOCAL NEWS

Tickets—F. A. M. Tobin's Printery.

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Lawler Printing Co., 29 Prescott st.

Don't miss the sale at Oriental Bazaar.

Hire your hacks at O'Donnell's stable. Tel. 439-4.

A two-story house at 335 Central street is to be sold at auction on Saturday afternoon, on foreclosure of mortgage. This will probably sell low and offers a chance to get a home cheap.

HAD A LICENSE

SUREME COURT DECIDES IN BROCKTON MAN'S FAVOR.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—The full bench of the supreme court yesterday sustained the exceptions of Granville L. Packard of Brockton, convicted upon an indictment charging him with maintaining a public nuisance by storing large quantities of naphtha upon his premises. The superior court is held to have erred in preventing him from putting in evidence a license from the mayor and aldermen of Brockton under the statutes of 1894, chapter 399, permitting him to store naphtha. He claimed that the license obviated the nuisance allegation and justified his conduct. The supreme court holds that it was competent evidence to show his authority to store naphtha. C. C. King for Packard, Dist.-Atty. French for the commonwealth.

TWO LIVES LOST

Fire Was Started by Some Tramps

COLORADO SPRINGS, Col., Feb. 25.—Two lives and possibly three were lost early today in a fire that destroyed three buildings, one of them a lodging house. For a time the fire threatened the entire business section of the city. An unknown man and a 15-year-old girl were the victims. Loss, $10,000. Tramps started the fire in a livery stable, where several horses were destroyed.

EVENING HIGH

Class of 1904 Held Annual Social

The class of 1904, Lowell Evening High school, held its annual class social last evening and the affair aside from being largely attended was a grand success on the part of the contributors to the program, which was carried out under the auspices of Adelaide E. Noyes. The Columbian orchestra furnished the music for dancing.

The program was as follows:

Male Chorus—"No Title Is Higher Than Man."
Graduating Class.
Reading—"Song of the Market Place,"
Gertrude Rolfe.
Vocal Trio—"Down on the Farm,"
Mary Quinn, Marie Garcau,
Mary Casey.
Comedy—"Jokes," by a Joker,
Thomas Powers.
Violin Solo—"Adoration,"
Paul Sullivan.
(Miss Minnie Blanchard, Accompanist)
Song—Selected.
Harry Hopkins.
Miss Mabel Hopkins, Accompanist.
Club Drill—Mary Hammersly, Marie Garcau, Esther Whitehead, Ella Justin, Gertrude Rolfe, Helena Green.
Reading—"Sweet Peggy,"
May Ella Judge.
Soprano Solo—"Dreaming,"
Margaret Malone.
Character Duet—George and Nellie Waugh. Miss Adelaide E. Howe, program accompanist.

The officers of the evening were: General manager, John J. Kelley; assistant general manager, Michael O'Brien; chairman of social committee, Charles F. Sullivan; treasurer, Agnes Tulley; secretary, Norah Curtin; floor director, Francis T. Burke; assistant floor directors, William Sadler and Mattie McAdams; chief aid, Thomas Kane; aids, Thomas Powers, Michael Winn, George Moss, John McElroy, Albert McDermott, Della Connerton, Margaret Hennessey, Katherine O'Reilly, Bessie Robitaille, Loretta Whitely; reception committee, George Andrews, F. L. Dawson, Joseph McDermott, Eugene Quinn, Thomas O'Hara, Mary Tarpey, Georgie Clowater, Mary Quinn, Norah Cryan, Margaret Shea.

NORMAL GRADUATES

OF THE LOWELL DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

One of the pleasant features in connection with the Sunday School convention, held at the Kirk Street Congregational church yesterday, was the organization of the normal graduates of the Lowell district of the Massachusetts Sunday School association, presided over by Rev. B. F. Kingsley, with John Perry, Jr., secretary pro tem.

The purpose of this organization is not only for social and friendly conference but to stimulate those who have taken the course and have not yet taken the examination and also to keep up the interest of those who have received diplomas from the Massachusetts State association.

The following graduates were present at its first meeting: Miss Helen M. Brown, Miss Ida M. Goucher, Miss Julia Williams, Miss E. M. Skilton, Miss Florence E. Howell, Miss Jennie E. Bartlett, Mrs. Mary E. Slater, Miss Lizzie G. Sturtevant, John Perry, Jr.

CHIMNEY FIRE.

A still alarm late yesterday afternoon summoned a portion of the fire department to a chimney fire in a house owned by S. Sargent in Bartlett street.

FOR TOMMY DIXON

Appeal to Legislature in His Behalf

WANTS COMPENSATION FOR HIS SIGHT

Lost, He Claims, Through an Assault in Prison

"Tommy" Dixon, the blind man who sells lead pencils and other small articles about town, was before the committee on prisons at the state house yesterday seeking an annuity for the loss of his eyesight. Although because of his blindness the beauty of nature has been shut out from him, Tommy Dixon has not been heard to grumble very much and his smiles are much more prevalent than his frowns. He is a familiar figure about Lowell and when the weather permits he can be found sitting by the Hamilton wall in Central street. Despite the fact that he has no income other than he can rake and scrape by the sale of pencils, shoelaces, combs, etc., he never fails to lend a helping hand to those more unfortunate than himself. He was one of the first to contribute to the relief of the victims of the South Lowell explosion. He gave one dollar, his profits for two days.

The petition submitted by Tommy to the committee on prisons bore the names of the mayor of Lowell, Hon. Charles H. Allen, former governor of Porto Rico, the chairman of the state board of trade, and others.

The committee had two bills to consider, one granting aid by annuity and the other by one payment, the sum, in both cases, being left to the judgment of the committee. The hearing was opened by Representative William E. Westall.

Alderman James H. Carmichael said a good word for the petitioner and then Tommy was called upon to tell his own story. He said in part:

"I was sent to the Massachusetts reformatory in 1888 for a second offence of drunkenness. I worked all the time setting glass. One day a Lowell prisoner whose term was nearly up asked me to varnish a cane that he had made. Maurice Cohen, a prisoner, was in charge of the paint shop, and he refused to let me have the varnish without an order. I got it and went back to Cohen. He struck me with a bunch of keys over the nose and it bled. I did not tell on him, for it meant 10 days for him in a dungeon. But somebody else told, and he was taken from his job and set on a bench.

"Later in the day I was taking off my overalls almost in front of Cohen when he struck me under the eye with a knife. A few days later I received a letter from my son and could not read it. I was pardoned out. The prison commissioners gave me three weeks boards in Lowell.

"I worked at my trade year after year, with eyesight growing dimmer. I had been able to earn from $3 to $5 a day, and had been a glass setter for 25 years. Now things grew dimmer until, two years ago, I was struck totally blind. Now I can only go about in the cold, offering shoestrings for sale.

"I have not drunk a drop since I was blind. I've tried to do as good as God will let me. I'd rather lose both legs than my eyes, because I could still see the world. I never expected to be deprived of sight in the prime of my life.

"I've changed my life since I became blind. I have sense enough to know now that I was a fool when I drank. I wish that I had known it before, because it would have saved my sight."

Senator James H. McKinley and Rep. W. H. L. Hayes, Rep. Horton H. Hilton and Representative Thomas Donahue spoke in favor of the petition.

The committee voted to lay the matter over for one week.

Clearance sale at Oriental Bazaar.

FOR SWEET CHARITY

LEAP YEAR PARTY AT DRACUT GRANGE HALL.

A leap year party was held at the Grange hall in Dracut Centre last night under the auspices of the apron table committee of the Day Nursery fair.

The upper hall was simply, but effectively decorated in national colors, which were strung profusely from an apex in the centre of the ceiling to the side walls. Many of the young ladies wore a heart pinned to their breast, indicating a valentine, and this in a measure added to the decorations.

Dancing was commenced shortly after eight o'clock and continued until midnight, the music being furnished by an orchestra. Mr. George Hutchinson had charge of the floor, and he was ably assisted by a corps of young ladies consisting of the following named: Miss Felicia Nix, Julia Hallowell, Edna and Della Peabody, Nettie Smithson, Ella Hutchinson, Susie Richardson, Roxie Henderson and Jessie Gage.

The patrons were Mrs. N. W. Peabody, Mrs. J. W. Coburn, Mrs. W. W. Myers, Mrs. Bert Smithson, Mrs. Walter Sanborn, Mrs. H. C. Richardson, Mrs. E. P. Crawford, Mrs. C. McDonald, Mrs. B. W. Folsom and Mrs. Annie Plimpton.

The reception committee was composed of the following named young ladies:

Misses Peabody, Nettie Smithson, Mina Somers, Alice Whitman, Eva Strout, Blanche Umphrey, Jennie Hall, Davena Smith, Esther Smith, Vida Hurst, Hilda Johnson, Gladys Hamilton, Mabel Hamilton, Madeline Hoar, Gertrude Marley, May Marley, Julia King, Bertha Prescott, Sadie McDonald, Margaret MacDonald, Sadie Collier, Gertrude Peabody, Alice Avon, Lizzie Henry, Susie Richardson, Jessie Richardson, Edith Russell, Ella Hutchinson, Driscoll, Alice Wing, Lilla Kimball, Minnie Davis, Irma Hillard, Hyacinth Somers, Robie Henderson, Blanche Cummings, May Cummings, Florence Milner, Bertha Walker, Mabel Hall, Harriet Irving, Minnie Snow, Agnes Deane, Alice Jennings, Catherine Graham, Nettie Drewett, May Rowley, Jessie Burden, Christine Cameron, Ella Baxter, May Brown, Ella Donohue, May Munroe, Stella Wilson, Jessie Gage, Felicia Nix, Lilla Breck, Addie Breck, Marion Lane, Irene Fox, Marion Gerry, Gertrude Taylor, Julia Hallowell, May Rollins, Clara Hutchinson and Kittie Conlin.

UNITED IRISH LEAGUE.

The executive committee of the United Irish League will take action tonight on inviting Conor O'Kelly, M. P., to Lowell. He is delegated by Mr. Redmond to tour this country in the interests of the home rule movement.

FAMILY ESCAPED

Overcome by Gas for Entire Day

LYNN, Feb. 25.—The strange case of an entire family sleeping 36 hours as a result of gas escaping in the house, and awakening to find it had lost an entire day, is the experience of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Lemare and their 18-year-old daughter Nellie.

The Lemare family live at 68 Williams avenue, near where two families had narrow escapes from asphyxiation Thursday owing to a leak in the gas main and the flowing of the fluid into the houses through the course of an old brook.

The three persons in the Lemare house went to sleep Thursday night about 9, and about midnight Mrs. Lemare awoke with a headache. She placed a wet towel about her head and returned to bed. Later Mr. Lemare and the daughter complained of not feeling well and all had headaches, but no odor of escaping gas was noticed.

The family continued in bed and did not wake again until Saturday morning. All day Friday workmen were busy in the street digging for the gas main to stop the leak and considerable noise was made in the vicinity, but the family slept on.

Saturday morning Mrs. Lemare awoke, and after considerable difficulty succeeded in arousing her husband and daughter. They felt ill and decided not to go to work. Later in the day they discovered they had slept all through Friday.

Physicians were called, who said the family had suffered from the escaping gas, but that the quantity reaching the house was not sufficient to cause death.

A cat and canary bird in the house were found dead from the gas.

BALFOUR BETTER

He Presided at Cabinet Meeting

LONDON, Feb. 25.—Premier Balfour had sufficiently recovered his health to come from Brighton to this city today to preside at a cabinet meeting at noon. Prior to the meeting the French ambassador, M. Cambon, called at the foreign office and had an hour's talk with Foreign Sec. Lansdowne. The ambassador returned here from Paris yesterday evening, and, apart from an exchange of views in regard to the most recent developments of the war, on which subject the two cabinets are keeping in the closest touch with each other, there is good reason to believe that a settlement of all matters in dispute between France and Great Britain is on the eve of being arranged. Such questions as Egypt, Morocco, Newfoundland, etc., have been fully discussed by the two governments for some months and the differences are being gradually eliminated, until practically nothing remains to prevent an early signature of a treaty removing all outstanding obstacles to a complete accord between the two powers.

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We also offer at the same price a small lot of very pretty Fancies and Lining Silks.

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Also Friday **Deep Cuts Made in the prices of Skirts, Rain Coats, Children's Short Coats, Kimonas, Bath Robes, Etc.**

Walking Skirts

All this past season's styles in Black, Blue and Mixtures, Cheviots, Broadcloths and Fancy Weaves.

1 Skirt, $4.95, reduced from $7.49.
5 Skirts, $4.95, reduced from $8.75.
2 Skirts, $5.95, reduced from $7.75.
8 Skirts, $6.95, reduced from $10.00.
2 Skirts, $6.95, reduced from $11.75.
7 Skirts, $8.95, reduced from $11.50.
1 Skirt, $8.95, reduced from $12.50.
4 Skirts, $9.95, reduced from $13.50.
3 Skirts, $9.95, reduced from $15.00.
1 Skirt, $10.95, reduced from $16.50.

Children's Short Coats

Sizes 6, 8, 10 and 12.

5 at $1.49 each, were $3.50.
5 at $1.98 each, were $5.98, sizes 2 to 6.
2 Coats at $3.95, were $9.00.
5 Coats at $2.95, were $5.00.
2 Coats at $1.95, were $3.50.
1 Velvet Coat for $3.95, was $10.00.

Flannelette Kimonas

7 at 29c, were 50c each.
12 at 49c, were 75c each.
8 at 49c, were $1.00 each.

Eider Down Sacques

8 at 45c, were 75c each.
9 at 65c, were 95c each.
1 at 95c, was $1.98.
2 at 95c, were $2.50.
1 at 95c, was $3.95.

Dress Skirts

With Easter coming so early this year, a new dress skirt and waist makes an appropriate costume. Here are some good skirts, not out of date, and way below price.

1 Skirt, $3.95, reduced from $6.75.
1 Skirt, $3.95, reduced from $7.75.
1 Skirt, $3.95, reduced from $11.00.
2 Skirts, $4.95, reduced from $5.49.
1 Skirt, $4.95, reduced from $7.49.
11 Skirts, $4.95, reduced from $7.95.
3 Skirts, $4.95, reduced from $12.00.
1 Skirt, $4.95, reduced from $12.50.
1 Skirt, $9.95, reduced from $17.00.

Rain Coats

Medium Heavy Weight Oxfords, Tans, Etc.

2 at $7.95 each, were $13.50.
2 at $7.95 each, were $15.75.
1 at $9.95, was $19.50.
1 at $9.95, was $22.50.
1 at $9.95, was $23.50.

Eider Down Bath Robes

34 at $2.45, were $3.50 and $3.98 each.
9 at $3.45, were $5.00.
10 at $4.45, were $6.50 and $7.50, in Red, Blue and Gray.

Long Flannelette Kimonas

10 at 95c, were $1.75 each.
3 at $1.95, were $3.75 each.

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JAPAN'S ATTEMPT

To Bottle Up the Russian Squadron at Port Arthur

Was Defeated by Russian Fire—Conflicting Reports as to Details But Russia is Credited With Victory

A Japanese defeat was reported yesterday from many places and under various forms. A sifting out of these reports indicates that the Japanese tried to imitate the tactics of Admiral Sampson at Santiago and bottle up the Russian fleet inside the harbor of Port Arthur by sinking heavily laden vessels in the channel. That they were unsuccessful is indicated in the following rather ambiguous and unsatisfactory dispatch from Admiral Alexieff, in which he says nothing of any loss among the Japanese warships:

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—A telegram from Viceroy Alexieff to the czar says:

"At 2.45 in the morning of Feb. 24 numerous Japanese torpedo boats attempted to attack the battleship Retvizan and sink large steamers loaded with inflammables.

"The Retvizan was the first to observe the torpedo boats and opened fire on them.

"She was supported by the land batteries. She destroyed two steamers near the entrance of the harbor; they were coming directly towards her.

"One of them went on the rocks near the lighthouse on Tiger peninsula and the other sank under Golden hill.

"The Retvizan observed four steamers in a sinking condition and eight torpedo boats departing slowly to rejoin the waiting Japanese warships.

"A portion of the crews of the Japanese vessels were drowned.

"The grounded steamer is still burning.

"The enemy is observed in the offing of Port Arthur in two lines.

"The Japanese crews saved themselves in boats, and it is possible that some of them were picked up by the enemy's torpedo boats.

"I am proceeding to examine the coasts. The entrance of the harbor is open. I attribute the complete derangement of the enemy's plan to the brilliant action and destructive fire of the Retvizan.

"Floating mines are still visible in the roadstead. I have recalled the three cruisers sent in pursuit of the enemy in order, in the first place, to clear the roadstead of floating mines.

"We had no losses."

CZAR CONGRATULATES RUSSIAN SQUADRON

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—The czar has telegraphed warm congratulations to Viceroy Alexieff and the entire Russian squadron on the able manner in which they repulsed the latest attack of the Japanese.

FURIOUS CANNONADE AT PORT ARTHUR

PORT ARTHUR, Feb. 25.—At about 1 o'clock yesterday morning the Japanese made a desperate attempt to block the entrance of the inner harbor and dock.

With this object four merchant steamers, accompanied by torpedo vessels were sent from two sides towards the entrance of the channel. The movement was perceived by the Retvizan, which was lying in the channel, and which opened fire immediately. At the same time the guns of the forts on the Tiger peninsula and Electric Cliff were turned upon the enemy and a furious cannonade ensued lasting until 5 in the morning. Then the firing slackened and became desultory. The Japanese had failed to effect their purpose. All four steamers were sunk. They are lying in the following positions:

One behind Golden hill; one near the Retvizan; two between the entrance of the channel and the Lao Thieshan peninsula. Two of the vessels are still burning.

The cruisers Bayan and Novik pursued the Japanese torpedo boat flotilla. It is said that one of the torpedo boats was sunk.

At about 9 in the morning, Feb. 24, a Japanese squadron of considerable size approached Port Arthur and the Bayan and Novik were ordered to face the Japanese ships, which, however, did not open fire and afterwards steamed away in the direction of Port Dalny. The cruiser Pallada has entered the dock here.

JAPANESE TROOPS REPULSED AGAIN

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25—6.32 p. m.—Maj. Gen. Pflug, the chief of staff of Viceroy Alexieff, telegraphs as follows under today's date:

"The enemy again attacked Port Arthur from 1 to 3 a. m. and was everywhere repulsed. Details follow."

TORPEDO BOATS NOT INJURED

LONDON, Feb. 25—6.05 p. m.—The British foreign office has received an official dispatch saying that not one of the Japanese torpedo boats was injured in the attack on Port Arthur of Wednesday, Feb. 24.

PORT ARTHUR BEING BOMBARDED

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25—6 p. m.—Rumors are in circulation here this afternoon to the effect that a bombardment of Port Arthur is now going on.

JAPAN AWAITS NEWS OF BATTLE

TOKIO, Tuesday, Feb. 23—(Delayed in transmission). Advices are hourly anticipated here of the third naval engagement which has taken place at Port Arthur. It was known that the fleet under command of Admiral Togo had been in motion, but the nature of the operation about to be undertaken had not been disclosed to the navy department. The latter admits anticipating information, but says it does not expect to receive any before Wednesday. It is thought here that Admiral Togo first attacked with his torpedo boats and then shelled Port Arthur. The opinion expressed by the foreign ministry here, is however, almost united against the ability of the Japanese ships to shell the place without dangerous exposure to the heavy guns of the shore batteries. The Japanese, however, are confident that the place is vulnerable at three points on the sea side and in proof of their opinions is the explosion of a number of shells in the town on the occasion of the recent night fight. The Japanese once possessed Port Arthur and they have most complete information in regard to distances and ranges. A bombardment of the place should prove highly destructive, as it is narrow and cramped. A few shells thrown over the hills into the basin holding the bay and town could not fail to do serious execution. The Japanese shells are charged with a high explosive and are very effective, and it is believed possible to render the harbor untenable for Russian warships by bombardment and force them to put to sea and fight in the open.

It is thought here that the withdrawal of Admiral Alexieff from Port Arthur and the removal of headquarters and records to Harbin is an admission of the weakness of the place and of its inability to make a sustained defense. It is believed that the Japanese intend to make a vigorous onslaught on Port Arthur. Its possession would deprive the Russians of a naval base and insure the Japanese a base for future operations on the Liao Tung peninsular.

TWO VESSELS STILL BURNING

PORT ARTHUR, Feb. 25.—Four steamers were sent in by the Japanese yesterday morning in an attempt to block the entrance of the port and all of them were sunk. They are lying in the following positions:

One behind Golden hill, one near the Retvizan, two between the entrance of the channel and Lon-Thei-Shan peninsular.

Two of the vessels are still burning.

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PREMIER BALFOUR

Says England Will Not Take Spanish Points

LONDON, Feb. 25—Premier Balfour, who on his first appearance today in the house of commons since his illness, was greeted with warm cheers, replying to a question, confirmed the statement made in these dispatches Feb. 20 that there was no truth in the reports that Great Britain intended to seize certain points on the Spanish coast in the event of a continental war.

The premier added that there appeared to be no truth in the rumor that Spain was mobilizing her forces, although she was strengthening some of her garrisons.

Asked by what authority it was proposed to detain at Ceylon the 325 Russian sailors rescued after the fight of Chemulpo, Premier Balfour said the sailors had sought refuge on a British warship. The government thought it would best be fulfilling the obligations of neutrality by interning the men in British territory until the close of the war. The Japanese government, however, was willing the sailors should return to Russia on giving their parole. The British government was now in correspondence with Russia, with the view of settling the question on this basis.

Replying to a question the foreign under secretary, Earl Percy, said the government was not aware of any negotiations between Germany and Russia whereby, as announced in some newspapers, in return for Germany affording Russia certain advantages during the war Russia would support Germany in regard to the Bagdad railroad question and a general question of German predominance in Asia Minor.

DEATHS

FITZGERALD—John W. Fitzgerald, the well-known foreman for the Stanley Transfer company, died this afternoon at the home of his sister, Mrs. M. H. Donovan, 9 Hampton avenue, off Walker street. Besides his sister he is survived by a mother, Honora, and two brothers, Daniel T. and James.

SCHOOL HOUSE

The Education Committee Will Meet Tomorrow

AND MAKE THE FIRST MOVE

For Erection of New School in Centralville

The committee on education is to meet tomorrow evening at City hall at eight o'clock, having been called today by Chairman Gallagher and it is the latter's intention to begin work at once for a new school building in Centralville on the lot on Ennell street recently purchased by the city.

It is Chairman Gallagher's intention to have the committee introduce an order in the city council providing for the erection of a 12-room brick schoolhouse in Ennell street at a cost of about $70,000. Mayor Howe in his inaugural made the following reference to the new school:

"The call for a new grammar school in Centralville of 12 rooms at least is imperative and should be heeded. In the plans for this school building provision should be made also for a symmetrical and convenient enlargement, certain to be required in the future. The land was purchased last year and is ready for the school. Let the money for this school be appropriated early in the year so that the construction of the school house can be begun in the spring."

With the land already purchased, the mayor in favor of speedy action in the matter and the estimated cost only a little in excess of the average cost per room $5000, it is quite likely that the new school house loan order will get through without much opposition.

NIGHT EDITION

SIX O'CLOCK

ABOUT BOB VEAL

Three Hundred a Week Sold in Lowell

It is stated that an average of more than 300 bob veals are being sold in Lowell every week. This means that the men who are engaged in the business of killing calves but two or three days old are reaping a fairly rich harvest and it also means that some of the lovers of veal are being served the meat of bob veals instead of the meat of fatted calves. Some claim that the meat of the bob veal is very injurious and it is generally conceded that it is not fit to eat.

Veals weighing less than 25 pounds have been sold to dealers in this city and they in turn have sold them to their customers for fatted veal. A veal that is properly fattened will weigh from 90 to 140 pounds, and while the fellow who orders veal for his dinner may not know the difference between the unnourished and the fatted calf, the dealer does and he is not in the business for his health. The keepers of restaurants and boarding houses should know the difference between bob veal and fatted veal, but so long as their customers don't kick the bob veal will be dished out. The difference in the price of bob veal and fatted veal is about 10 cents a pound—a handsome item for the restaurant and boarding house keepers to consider. Bob veal costs 5 cents a pound and fatted veal sells for about 15 cents a pound.

Some of the men who make a business of trading in bob veals are not overburdened with high principles, and if a cow dies while her calf is in its second or third hour, the bob veal man looks wise and kills the calf. He sends it to the market and the market man sells it to his customers. A man who has been in the meat business for years said to a Sun reporter a few days ago that there is more bob veal being sold in Lowell at the present time than ever before. He had no hesitation in stating that bob veal is not fit to eat.

"I know," he said, "that the calves of diseased cows have been sold in Lowell and I believe they are being sold today. The man with the meat market or the restaurant man that cannot get along without dealing in bob veal should go out of business. I claim that it is dangerous stuff to handle. The law relative to bob veal should be strictly enforced and it is up to the board of health to enforce it. Selling bob veal is the surest way I know of to spread tuberculosis, a disease which is becoming alarmingly prevalent.

Sections 71 to 76 of chapter 56 of the revised laws deal with the killing and sale of bob veal:

Section 71—The board of health may inspect all veal found, offered or exposed for sale or kept with the intent to sell in its city or town and if, in its opinion, said veal is that of a calf less than four weeks old when killed the board shall seize and destroy.

Section 74—Whoever kills or causes to be killed or knowingly sells, offers or exposes for sale or has in his possession for intent to sell for food the veal of a calf killed when less than four weeks old shall be punished by a fine not more than one hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than sixty days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 75—The board of health for the city or town in which any animal or property has been condemned under the provisions of sections seventy and seventy-one may cause a description of the place in which such condemned property was found, the name of every person in whose possession it was found and the name of every person convicted of any offence under the provisions of the two preceding sections to be published in two newspapers published in the county in which such property was found.

BIG RISE IN PROVISIONS.

A local provision dealer said to The Sun reporter this afternoon: "You should say something in The Sun about the price of provisions and vegetables these days so that those who are boarding out will know that the boarding masters are not getting rich on them at the present time. For the first time in a long time apples, potatoes, squash and rabbage are the same price, $3 per barrel, take them or leave them. This is in advance of the regular prices of these commodities and it is seldom that one finds them selling at the same price. Lobsters are 30 cents per pound at wholesale and oysters are higher than ever before in 22 years. Fish is both high and scarce. Meat is about at the normal price except veal, which has gone up."

FELL FROM LADDER

And Then His Boss "Fired" Him

George Reed, aged 19 years, limped into the office of Secretary Courtney this afternoon with a truly hard luck story which once again reminds us of man's inhumanity to man.

Young Reed, whose home is in Wilton, N. H., struck a job yesterday working for a farmer in Tewksbury and toward evening while working on a high ladder he fell off, landing upon his knee. During the evening he did not feel any very serious results of his accident but later in the night it began to trouble him, while his leg swelled considerably.

This morning he was unable to move his leg and so informed the farmer, but the latter told him that if he could not get up and go to work he would have to get out and advised him to go out on the highroad and ask some passing farmer to drive him to Lowell.

Young Reed being a stranger did not know of the existence of the state hospital only a few hundred yards away, and the farmer did not enlighten him as to it. The young man, therefore, dragged himself to the road and in a temperature slightly above zero waited half frozen until noon when a farmer came along who drove him into Lowell.

Sec. Courtney said things under his breath concerning the man who advised the young fellow to come way into Lowell only to be sent back again for having no legal residence here. The boy will have to go to the Tewksbury hospital, but his return trip was much more comfortable for the ambulance took him to the depot and he rode to Tewksbury by train. It is believed that he has dislocated his knee cap.

WILL VISIT HOOD'S FARM.

The students and professors of the New Hampshire College of Agriculture will visit Hood's farm next Saturday. They number about 50. They will leave Durham, N. H., in the morning and arrive in Lowell about 11 o'clock on a special electric car. They will be met at the end of the Andover street line by conveyances from the farm and will be entertained for the rest of the day by Supt. Dodge.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

A pleasant birthday party was held at the home of Miss Anna Donohue in Hudson street, last night, a large number of her friends having gathered to enjoy a pleasant evening and incidentally surprise the hostess. Games were played while a fine musical and literary program was carried out, and refreshments were served. The hostess was the recipient of many beautiful presents.

MORE SMALL-POX CASES.

LAKEPORT, N. H., Feb. 25—Six cases of small-pox have developed here in two households. After an investigation the state board of health has decided that no general quarantine or vaccination is necessary at this time.

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FOUND—A seal skin muff at Bartlett & Dow's store. Owner can have by paying for adv.

DANGEROUS BLAZE

Strong Odor of Kerosene Oil Detected by Firemen

An alarm from box 113, shortly before two o'clock, this afternoon, summoned a portion of the fire department to a lively blaze in a room at 99 John street, the property formerly belonging to the Hoott corporation but now owned by Salmon Birk. The fire was discovered in the nick of time, or the freedom might have had a fierce battle on their hands. There is also a mystery surrounding the fire as considerable kerosene oil was sprinkled around the closet where the fire started and on the carpet in front of the closet, but whether the presence of the kerosene was accidental or not will be investigated.

One of the occupants of the house who has a room on the fourth floor while rocking her baby to sleep detected a strong odor of smoke and she at once made a hasty examination of the rooms on that floor. She saw a cloud of smoke ascending the stairway and ran down stairs. There smoke was issuing through the apertures in the door at room 5 on the third floor. She notified the manager of the boarding house and some other person pulled in the fire alarm.

George Babigian, who conducts the boarding house, rushed up to the room where the fire was and unlocking the door attempted to enter, but the smoke drove him back. In the meantime the alarm from box 113 was sounded and the department was soon on the scene.

The fire was discovered in a clothes closet, which was being used as a place to keep wood and coal. The fire was burning briskly and had communicated with the carpet. After a time from the chemical had been run into the room the fire was extinguished.

Chief Hosmer in looking over the closet detected a strong odor of kerosene oil, and a further examination brought to light the fact that the wood pile in the closet was well saturated with oil, while a portion of the carpet also smelled strongly of oil. The manager of the house said that a woman named Mary McKiernan, who worked in the Massachusetts mill, occupied the room and that she was in there at noon, but that there had been no person in the room since a few minutes before 1 o'clock. This assertion seemed rather strange, for in the room was a small wood stove, and the fire in it appeared to be recently started. Mr. Babigian, who is an Arenian, first told one story and then another and the chief and several police officers who were on the scene had hard work trying to get what looked like a plausible statement from him.

While he said that the room was occupied only by the woman, there were pipes and tobacco lying on a dresser, while men's collars and neckties were also in evidence, to say nothing of a razor and strap and other things used only by men. Babigian when first questioned by Chief Hosmer said that when the fire was first discovered three or four men, who were neighbors, broke into the room and tried to extinguish the fire, but later he acknowledged that he unlocked the door with a key which unlocks every door in the house.

The damage will not be great owing mainly to the fact that the wall in the rear of the closet is of brick, and this alone kept the fire from spreading.

CARS ARE LATE

Tracks are Blocked by Snow Drifts

The street railway has troubles of its own today and while the majority of the local lines are running on schedule time the majority of the suburban lines are running anywhere from five to 30 minutes late. The cause of the trouble is the same as that which tied up the cars last week, the snow drifting into the tracks faster than it can be shoveled out. Large gangs of men are at work on the lines as well as snow plows, but the wind and snow are holding the upper hand at the present time.

There have been but one or two cars from Lawrence today, these coming up early in the morning. From 8 o'clock until the time of going to press this evening there was not a car coming into this city that connected with either Lawrence or Haverhill on the Boston & Northern line or the Pelham line. The Pelham line is all to the bad, one of the snow plows being derailed between this city and Pelham while a good portion of the rail is covered with snow which has drifted from the hillsides. Between Lowell and Lawrence on the Boston & Northern line the drifts are in practically the same places as they were during the last storm.

The Nashua line is running late, as is the Medford line and the line between this city and Chelmsford Centre.

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Fancy Messina Lemons, 15c doz.
Sweet Navel Oranges .. 10c doz.
Good American Sardines, 4c can
Hecker's Self Raising Buckwheat ..... 9c pkg.
10 lb. Pail Cooking Lard 85c
Very Best N. Y. Beans ..... 8c qt.
Yellow Eye Beans ..... 10c qt.

Canada Peas ..... 7c qt.
Kennedy's Soda Crackers, 5c lb.
Kennedy's Common Crackers ..... 5c lb.
Kennedy's Ginger Snaps ... 5c lb.
Kennedy's Tea Biscuit ..... 8c lb.
Kennedy's Fig Bars ..... 10c lb.
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THE GUEST SUIT

Finale of Domestic Drama at Hand

COMEDY AND TRAGEDY MIXED IN

Defendant Saw Pictures of Mrs. Guest

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Upon that strange domestic drama known as the Guest alienation suit the curtain was rung down yesterday. All that now remains is for the foreman of the jury to speak the epilogue, and this he will do today. Those in the audience that packed the room of the supreme court were not able to classify satisfactorily that which was presented there. There was certainly much of comedy when Judge Forbes, the venerable jurist from up the state, who is presiding at the trial, interrupted a witness.

"Guest said he was full as a goat and went to sleep on the floor," testified Clarence L. Lowther, defendant in the $15,000 suit.

"Maybe he was only tired," suggested the lenient judge.

"We played poker dice," again the witness asserted.

"Ah, but surely not for money," the court made haste to interpose.

"For money, of course," declared Mr. Lowther, and Judge Forbes looked pained.

There was tragedy when Mrs. A. Royal Guest answered the question: "Do you hate your husband now?"

"Yes, I do," she replied, with flashing eyes.

On cross-examination Mrs. Guest said her love for her husband had begun to wane six years ago. She said she deceived her husband as to the true state of her feelings toward him.

"Did you go out with any other men beside Lowther during the last two years?"

"I did."

Lowther was then called. He said: "Once Guest said to me, when he did not know Mrs. Guest was sitting beside me, 'I am as full as a goat and have been with Corinne all afternoon.'

"I went to Guest's house, and we sometimes sat up till 2 o'clock, drinking and shaking poker dice, the women joining in."

Lowther said that once, after playing poker in the Guests' room, he was unable to go to bed, because he had to sit up all night and hold Mr. Guest on a chair.

"He tried to sit on one chair," Lowther said, "but we had to get two chairs for him, and then sit up all night to keep him from rolling off on the floor.

"I was never at the Guest house," he continued, "when there were any pictures taken, but at Burns' one night Mr. Guest showed me a bunch of pictures taken of his wife in the nude. He did not say anything about the pictures—just handed the bunch to me, but I recognized Mrs. Guest.

"I have never been alone with Mrs. Guest in my life. I was invited by her to her house only twice when her husband was not there."

Lowther testified that after he went to Omaha George H. Bruce advised him to come back to New York and let his wife get an absolute divorce.

"It was arranged to make evidence, and I went to Philadelphia, and after several failures, was 'caught' by two New York detectives in a hotel in Philadelphia."

"Did this man Bruce ever practise law in this state?" asked Judge Forbes.

"Yes," answered Mr. Warren. "I understand he practised here for 20 years."

The judge shook his head.

It will be recalled that Mrs. Lowther was granted an absolute divorce.

Lowther, when cross-examined by Mr. Maloney, testified that while in Omaha he made a will favorable to Mrs. Guest.

"How favorable to Mrs. Guest?" asked Mr. Maloney.

"To her boy."

Lowther said he did not give any money to Bruce to be used in helping Mrs. Guest to get a divorce. He gave Bruce a lot of money, he said.

ROOSTER'S PECKING

CAUSED HARTFORD MAN TO LOSE AN ARM.

HARTFORD, Ct., Feb. 25—Nathan S. Plumb, a Main street butcher, was tending his chickens a fortnight ago when a rooster pecked the thumb of his right hand. Blood poisoning set in and last evening the arm was amputated at the elbow.

LIQUOR SELLERS

HARD HIT IN AUBURN, ME., COURT.

AUBURN, Me., Feb. 25—Judge Savage sentenced liquor sellers yesterday afternoon in the supreme court at Auburn. Louis Caron, indicted for nuisance lost fall, who fled from Lewiston and was arrested lately in Berlin, N. H., was given six months. Demetrius Ouillette of Lewiston was fined $100 and costs and given 30 days. In default of payment he will serve 60 days more. Joseph Page of Lewiston, convicted on two charges of pocket peddling, $100 and costs and 60 days, and in default of payment, 60 days additional on each case. John Raquette of Lewiston, also a pocket peddler, got a like sentence. Eugene Morin, $100 and costs or 60 days, and as common seller, 60 days. D. W. Prescott, common seller, $100 and costs.

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THE NAVAL BILL

Meyer's Strong Plea for Battleship

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25—"Don't give up that ship" was the plea made to the house today by Representative Meyer (La.), who opened the debate on the naval bill, and addressed himself to the pending amendment of Mr. Burton to strike out the provision for the battleship authorized in the bill. Mr. Meyer took Mr. Rixey (Va.) to task because in the debate yesterday he had endorsed the Burton amendment. Admiral Dewey, Mr. Meyer said, had emphasized before the committee the necessity for battleships, recommending them as preferable to cruisers.

"Is not Admiral Dewey president of the board, the recommendations of which were disregarded by the committee?" asked Mr. Rixey.

"Yes," replied Mr. Meyer, "but I would rather take Admiral Dewey's judgment than that of the board."

He stated he was in the minority, but he also was in the minority in a famous trial a few years ago and the country has endorsed his position.

Mr. Meyer, who is to offer a motion to recommit the bill to the committee with instructions to eliminate the provision for two cruisers and to make several other changes, explained that if he were to follow his own judgment and desires he would urge upon his colleagues the acceptance of the whole bill from the program.

"But," concluded Mr. Meyer, "yielding to the judgment of many of my colleagues, I am quite willing to advise a somewhat more moderate program."

Senator Gorman's announcement that the navy was "top heavy" and that there were now too many ships, guns and men, was made a text for remarks by Mr. Mudd (Md.). He believed the statement of Mr. Gorman was important in view of the senator's probable candidacy for the presidency. In Maryland, he said, Mr. Gorman had no great record for economy.

Mr. W. W. Kitchin (N. C.) said that the facts presented by Mr. Burton had not been answered in any way although his republican colleagues had "pulled" the republican platform of Ohio on him and declared him to be out of line with his party.

Mr. Kitchin named various foreign governments and asked after each:

"Are you afraid of any of these nations?"

His answer was "no." He said the only cause for fear was in the present occupant of the white house, adding "and he will not be there long."

Mr. Gillett (Mass.) said the present condition of the war between Japan and Russia justified the building program in the bill.

"We see Russia," he continued, "that enormous power, menaced and humiliated by a power not a quarter or a tenth her size. Is not the only clear reason for this because Russia's power on the sea is not commensurate with her power on land. What would Russia give today if she had followed another program for her navy during the past ten years?" asked Mr. Gillett.

The chances which Japan had to win in this war, he declared to be about even.

Mr. Brandegee (Conn.), spoke for the bill.

Mr. Fitzgerald (N. Y.), declared that before the war between Japan and Russia broke out Russia's navy was more than double that of Japan.

IN THE SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25—When the senate convened today the agricultural appropriation bill was again taken up and a number of minor amendments, mostly verbal in character, were adopted.

Mr. Gallinger called attention to the appropriation of $25,000 for investigating table syrups, saying that the same amount was appropriated last year and suggesting that some results should have been announced by this time. He offered an amendment requiring that a report of progress be made to congress.

Mr. Proctor assured Mr. Gallinger that no part of the money appropriated had been used in investigating maple syrup, because it needed no investigation.

Mr. Aldrich expressed the opinion that the object of the provision was to get the approval of the secretary of agriculture to syrups produced in various parts of the country. It was like directing the kind of air people should breathe.

Mr. Bacon defended the provision. He said that much inferior syrup was made, but that in Georgia the real article was produced.

Mr. Gallinger's amendment was accepted.

JUMP IN WHEAT

High Record Mark Was Passed

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Aided by strong English grain markets, wheat for May delivery today jumped 2½ cents above yesterday's closing figure, touching $1.09 a bushel. This price is ½ cent above the high record mark made a few days ago. Heavy realizing sales caused a reaction, the close being at $1.07½, a net gain for the day of one cent. The July delivery closed two cents up at 98¼ cents.

DR. BURNETT

WILL BE MARRIED TO MISS BRADY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Dr. Swann M. Burnett, the divorced husband of Mrs. Frances Hodgson Burnett, is to marry Miss Margaret W. Brady of Washington. Miss Brady has been a resident of Washington for many years, but is a native of Pennsylvania, and comes from Quaker ancestry. Her father, Jasper Brady, was contemporaneous with Lincoln in congress. The Brady and Burnett families were next door neighbors for years. Miss Brady is between 40 and 50 years of age, a gentle and refined woman, slender and possessed of a pleasing personality.

Dr. Burnett is an oculist of national reputation. For the past four years his chief happiness has been the periodical visits of his son Vivian, who is equally devoted to his father and mother. Vivian is often spoken of as the original "Little Lord Fauntleroy," but the real hero of the famous story was Lionel, the other son, who died several years before the couple were divorced. Young Vivian heartily approves of the second marriage of his father.

Mrs. Burnett soon after her divorce married Mr. Townsend, who had been acting as her secretary. He is several years her junior. They make their home in London.

DRACUT CAUCUSES

Republicans Tonight and Democrats Tomorrow

LIVELY CONTESTS AMONG THE CANDIDATES

McCarthy and McManmon Conceded the Winners

All Dracut is agog over the caucuses which are to be held this evening and tomorrow evening for there are lively contests in both parties over the choice of candidates for selectmen.

Tonight the republicans will hold forth in the basement of the Yellow Meeting House and will name their ticket. Tomorrow night the democrats will get together in Ames' store at the Navy Yard and will do likewise. One week from Monday the annual town meeting will decide which of the candidates selected by each party the whole people want.

In the republican party there are six candidates for selectmen and the probable winners are Frank I. Hill, who is in at present, Fred E. Pollard and the venerable Bernice Parker. The other republican candidates are Messrs. Coburn, Fox and Sterling.

The democrats have five candidates for selectmen and three most prominently mentioned are Messrs. George C. Canney, Edward St. Leger, and Nicholas Gallagher, though James H. Rogers and John E. Hyland are also putting up vigorous campaigns.

In the contests for town clerk and town treasurer it is conceded that Charles E. McCarthy and James McManmon, the democratic candidates for these two positions, will not have any trouble in being elected on town meeting day and they will receive the unanimous endorsement of the democrats in their caucus.

NOT IN CONTEMPT

Recorder Goff Finds for Morse

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Recorder Goff ruled today that Charles W. Morse, the banker and former president of the American Ice Co., is not a lawful witness before the grand jury in the "John Doe" proceedings to investigate the divorce and re-marriage of Mrs. Consuince Dodge-Morse, former wife of Charles F. Dodge, who is now under arrest in Texas in connection with this case and that Morse is not in contempt of court in refusing to answer questions put by the grand jury. The recorder discharged Mr. Morse and directed the grand jury not to proceed further with him as a witness unless a specific charge is made against some one.

KILLED HIS WIFE

YOUNG MAN WAS HANGED IN JAIL YARD.

KITTANNING, Pa., Feb. 25—Harry A. Zillafro was hanged in the county jail yard here today. The trap was sprung at 10.10 and death by strangulation followed in 20 minutes. He was cool and collected on the scaffold and had nothing to say. Zillafro was scarcely 21 years old.

The crime for which he paid the death penalty was the killing of his young wife in February, 1903. When arrested he admitted the killing, but refused to assign a reason for the deed.

ALLEGED MURDERER

SAID TO HAVE BEEN SEEN IN MONTREAL.

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 25.—The arrest of Stafford, the Boston murderer, is hourly expected by the Montreal police. He is thought to be in that locality, where he has several friends. The papers print dispatches from Boston regarding the search for the murderer, and today's Montreal Star says: "Detective Rhoades of Boston, who has been searching the city for Stafford, the Boston murderer, left last night for another point here. It is said the authorities heard that Stafford has been seen. Yesterday was spent in interviewing a number of people who were acquainted with Stafford, his wife and the murdered man, Trussell when they were giving balloon ascension performances here last summer."

TO SUCCEED HANNA

SCOTT, DICK AND PENROSE MENTIONED.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—There has been considerable discussion about the probable successor to Senator Hanna as chairman of the republican national committee. The names of Senators Scott of West Virginia and Penrose of Pennsylvania and Representative Charles Dick, who is slated to be Senator Hanna's successor in the senate, are frequently mentioned. Col. Swords, who for a long time was sergeant-at-arms of the national committee, recently wrote to Senator Scott concerning Senator Hanna, saying:

"In the last conversation I had with Senator Hanna I congratulated him upon appointing you as chairman of the sub-committee on arranging for the convention in Chicago, and he said: 'Scottie, why he knows more about running a national convention than any man in the country, and he is closer to me than any friends I have. He is a great, big-hearted fellow, as good as gold and as true as steel, and I cherish him as one of my best friends.'"

LETTER CARRIERS

ORDERED TO KEEP OUT OF POLITICS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—In reply to a letter from a mail carrier in Indiana, Postmaster-General Payne yesterday sent a letter of instruction that no employes of the postoffice department in the classified service should participate in political conventions. The carrier asked if it would be possible for him to accept election as a delegate to the national republican convention. Mr. Payne said that officials in the classified service should not participate in primaries, and called attention to the civil service rules bearing on this question.

TWO MURDERERS

Will be Put to Death in April

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Martin Ebolt was found guilty of murder in the first degree at White Plains today. Ebolt killed his wife and was sentenced to be executed at Sing Sing during the week of April 11.

Francis Raffo, convicted last week of murder in the first degree for killing Special Policeman Maurice Ahearn, at New Rochelle, was also sentenced to be executed at Sing Sing the same week as Ebolt. Ahearn was slain while attempting to arrest Raffo.

FUNERALS

DEMPSEY—The funeral of Mrs. Annie Dempsey took place yesterday afternoon from her late home, No. 66 Leverett street. Rev. J. M. Craig of the First Presbyterian church conducted services at the house, and at the cemetery. The remains were placed in the receiving vault in the Edson cemetery, under the direction of Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Sons.

ROGERS—The funeral of Mrs. Eunice Rogers took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. A. H. Smith, 215 Princeton street. Prayers were read by Rev. Smith T. Ford, pastor of the First Baptist church, and there was singing by Mrs. Sherburne, Mrs. Floyd, E. H. Baker and George Burns. The bearers were E. C. and Charles Ticker and Harry and Ernest Hatch. Burial was in Edson cemetery, under the direction of Undertaker C. M. Young.

WRIGHT—The funeral of Mrs. Lorenie A. Wright took place yesterday afternoon from her late home, 42 B street. Services were conducted by Rev. B. F. Kingsley of the Highland Methodist church and appropriate selections were rendered by Mrs. Hubert Bearce and Mrs. C. H. McIntire. The bearers were S. S. and G. M. Wright, and L. M. Park and G. H. Fellows. The body was placed in the tomb in the Edson cemetery. Undertaker Young had charge of the funeral arrangements.

LARKIN—The funeral of Mrs. Ellen Larkin took place yesterday morning at 8.30 from her home in Highland avenue, North Chelmsford, and was largely attended by sorrowing friends and relatives. The cortege proceeded to St. John's church, where a mass of requiem was held at 9 o'clock, Rev. Fr. Callahan officiating. The choir under the direction of Miss Josie McCabe rendered the Gregorian mass, and at the offertory Mr. Wm. Thornton rendered the "De Profundis." At the conclusion "He Wipes a Tear From Every Eye" was sung by Miss Nano Gallagher. The full choir rendered "Nearer, My God, To Thee" as the remains were borne from the church. Among the many beautiful floral offerings were a large pillow inscribed "M. C. O. F., No. 171," from Massachusetts Catholic Order Foresters; large pillow inscribed "At Rest," from Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Ryan; large pillow inscribed "Mother," from the family; palms and violets from Mr. E. L. Breault and daughter. The bearers were Patrick McEnaney, John Sherlack, Michael McMahon, Patrick McMahon, James Leahey and Patrick McEnaney. The interment was in the family lot in the Catholic cemetery this city, under the direction of Undertakers J. F. O'Donnell & Son.

O'ROURKE—All that was mortal of the late Margaret O'Rourke was consigned to its final resting place in the Catholic cemetery this morning. The funeral took place at 9.30 from the home of Miss Annie Rourke, cousin of the deceased, No. 72 Tyler street, and was largely attended by sorrowing friends and relatives, including a number from Boston, Lawrence and Nashua. The cortege proceeded to St. Patrick's church, where a mass of requiem was celebrated at 10 o'clock, Rev. James Walsh officiating. The choir under the direction of Michael J. Johnson rendered Schmidt's mass and during the services appropriate selections were rendered. Prominent among the floral offerings was a mammoth standing wreath on base, from the shopmates of the weaving room in Suffolk mills. The following close friends of the deceased were bearers: James O'Rourk, Thomas Kinman, Jams McCabe, Thomas Doneghan, Patrick Shea and Francis Brady. At the grave, Rev. James Walsh read the committal prayers and the interment was under the direction of Undertakers James F. O'Donnell & Sons.

McLLEN—The funeral of the late Emily B. Mullen took place from her late home, 581 Bridge street, this morning, at 8.30 o'clock, and was largely attended. The funeral cortege proceeded to St. Michael's church in Sixth street, where a high mass of requiem was celebrated at 9 o'clock by Rev. Fr. Mullin. The choir under the direction of Mr. Thomas P. Boulger sang the Gregorian mass and during the service appropriate selections were rendered by members of the choir. There were many beautiful floral offerings in evidence.

The bearers were Messrs. John McFarland, Charles Noble, Joseph Lantagne, George Desilets, John Carter and John Maguire. The interment was in the Catholic cemetery, where the last sad rites of the Catholic church were solemnized by Rev. Fr. Mullin. The funeral was under the direction of Funeral Director Charles H. Molloy.

McGRATH—The funeral of the late Mrs. Mary McGrath took place this morning at 8.30 o'clock from her late home, 1 Fulton street, off Willie street, and was largely attended by relatives and friends of the deceased. A high mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock by Rev. John J. McHugh, and the choir under the direction of Mr. Michael J. Johnson sang th Gregorian mass. During the service appropriate selections were rendered by the members of the choir.

There was a profusion of beautiful and appropriate floral offerings in evidence, among which were a sheaf of wheat and a spray of roses from the family of the deceased.

The bearers were Messrs. James Mills, Andrew Shanahan, Daniel Monahan, Maurice Fitzgerald, John O'Brien and Dennis Reagan. The interment was in the Catholic cemetery, where the committal prayers were read by Rev. Fr. McHugh. The funeral was under the direction of Funeral Director Peter H. Savage.

HEAVY VERDICT

Largest Damages Ever Assessed St. Railway

A climax in keeping with the sensational beginning of the Hutchinson suit against the Manchester street railway, says the Manchester Union, was reached when the opening of the verdict took place in superior court on Tuesday morning, disclosing the largest damages ever assessed upon the defendant corporation. The jury after deliberating an hour and ten minutes, decided that $8000 would be a just compensation to Mr. Hutchinson for the injuries he received in the collision of June 20, 1902.

The Hutchinson case stands alone in Hillsborough county, if not in New Hampshire, court records for unusual features. Never before was such a motion filed as the second one of Mr. Burroughs, and a withdrawal from a case was never attended with exactly similar methods as those adopted by the counsel for the street railway. And never before did a trial with so much involved run more smoothly after it had once begun, as there was no semblance of a cross examination of the witnesses put on by the plaintiff, nor was there any evidence in rebuttal.

The case has aroused unprecedented interest and discussion among the legal fraternity of the city and state and the next move is awaited with unabated curiosity. It is held by some of the lawyers that there is no means of carrying the matter to the supreme bench, in view of the default of the defendant, but others do not share that opinion. These latter lawyers say that it is the right and duty of the supreme court to review all matters passed upon in the lower court. It is generally understood that the case will be taken to the supreme court.

LEASE APPROVED

LOWELL AND PELHAM ROAD IN THE DEAL.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—The lease of three street railway companies in northeastern Massachusetts to the Hudson, Pelham and Salem St. Ry. Co., of New Hampshire was approved today by the Massachusetts railroad commissioners. The Massachusetts roads are the Lowell and Pelham, the Haverhill and Southern New Hampshire and the Lawrence and Methuen. As all the three roads have floating indebtedness, the commissioners also have approved the issue of bonds and stock as follows: The Lowell and Pelham $40,000 in bonds, the Haverhill and Southern New Hampshire $80,000 in bonds and the Lawrence and Methuen $125,000 in bonds and $25,000 in stock.

MAYOR COLLINS

WANTS METHOD OF COMPILING VOTING LISTS CHANGED.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—An earnest plea for the repeal of last year's act providing for the compiling of the voting lists of Boston by the police instead of by the city assessors was made today by Mayor Collins at a hearing before the legislative committee on election laws. He claimed that the change entailed a yearly expense to the city of $40,000 and that the work last year showed no improvement over that done under the previous plan.

CONROY WEAK

HE HAD TO BE ASSISTED TO SCAFFOLD.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 25.—John Conroy, convicted of killing his wife while she was asleep in their home in this city on Dec. 2, 1902, was hanged in the county jail yard today.

He was very weak and had to be supported to the scaffold. Death resulted in eight minutes from strangulation. He maintained his innocence to the last.

DEATHS

PUTNAM—Mrs. Mary Lindsay Putnam, one of the oldest residents of Chelmsford, died at her home in South street of that town yesterday, aged 87 years, 9 months, 20 days. She was the wife of Israel Putnam.

FRAY—Sarah R. Fray, aged 81 years died yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. W. Payne, 20 Second avenue.

STAKEM—Agnes G. Stakem, aged 20 years, died this morning at the Cottage hospital in Lawrence. The body was brought to this city by Undertaker Charles H. Molloy and later taken to the home of the deceased's sister, Miss Margaret Stakem, 92 Wannalancit street. Besides her sister, the deceased leaves one brother, James, of Lawrence.

GROGAN—Stephen Grogan, aged one month and 14 days, child of Michael and Annie, died this morning at the home of his parents, 3 Riverbank, off Lakeview avenue.

HOBBS—Miss Minnie H. Hobbs, for several years a resident of Lowell, died at her home, Knowlesville, New Brunswick, Feb. 20, aged 23 years. She died of consumption and was sick a little over a year. While in this city she was a member of the Fifth Street Baptist church.

SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS.

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 25.—The meeting of the department of superintendents of the National Educational association which has been in session here this week, closed today. Today's topics, "Administration and Supervision" and "The Management of Special Departments" were discussed by William H. Maxwell of New York City; L. D. Honebrake, Columbus, Ohio; Miss Alice Reynolds, New Haven, Conn.; C. N. Kendall, Indianapolis, Ind.; Charles Foss, Reading, Pa.; and Miss Evangeline Whitney, New York city.

The next meeting will be held in Milwaukee.

POSTMASTER NAMED.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Geo. H. Prescott today was appointed fourth-class postmaster at Lock Haven, New Hampshire.

MONEY ON CALL.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25—Noon—Money on call nominally at 1¾@2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4¾@5½.

Exchanges $200,000,239; balances $12,320,538.

THE THOMAS W. LAWSON FLOATED.

CAPE HENRY, Va., Feb. 25—The seven-masted schooner Thomas W. Lawson, which was aground off Point Breeze, Va., was floated today and passed off the capes apparently uninjured.

ONE MAN MAY DIE

Explosion in a Shoe Factory in Manchester

MANCHESTER, N. H., Feb. 25—Two men, engineer and watchman, at the West side shoe factory, were seriously injured, and the injuries of the latter may prove fatal, as the result of an explosion of a throttle valve today. George D. Woodbury, the engineer, and Marshal Angler, the watchman, were alone in the boiler house. The engineer stepped to the boiler to open the valve and set the machinery in motion when there was an explosion, which was followed by the room being filled with steam. Mr. Woodbury made his escape an instant afterwards through a door and the watchman broke through a window. Both men are terribly scalded about the face, neck and arms, and the condition of Mr. Angler is critical. Between 500 and 600 operatives are temporarily thrown out of employment.

LEGAL WRANGLE

During Arguments at the Postal Trial

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Mr. Conrad, special counsel for the government in the postal trial, continued his argument for the prosecution today. He dwelt at length upon the question of what constitutes a reasonable doubt and instanced cases where a single juror had hung the jury through a misconception of the meaning of a reasonable doubt, when he was interrupted by Mr. Kumler, who charged that the statements were an imputation on the jury in this case. A sharp colloquy between Mr. Conrad and Mr. Kumler followed.

Resuming his remarks, Mr. Conrad contended that the counsel for the defence had admitted all the allegations of the indictment.

This brought Charles A. Douglass to his feet, who denied that this was so. After some wrangling, Justice Pritchard told the jury that they understand how the matter was and directed Mr. Conrad to proceed. Counsel attacked the statements made on the stand by Mr. Lorenz regarding his first examination of the Groff fastener in 1895 and said they were not borne out by the circumstances surrounding it.

Mr. Conrad declared that he had a personal duty to perform. He had carefully and dispassionately examined the evidence and a grave doubt had arisen in his mind with respect to the guilt of Samuel A. Groff. He had not, he said, consulted his associates about this doubt, choosing to take the responsibility alone, "but," he continued, "I cannot find in this evidence anything that warrants me in saying that it justifies the conviction of Samuel A. Groff. It was, however," he added, "fixed on his mind unalterably and clearly, that the evidence, piece by piece, had forged links which were woven into an adamantine chain which binds the other defendants to the body of this crime."

A recess at this point was taken.

MANAGER HAM

WELL RECOMMENDED FOR THE POSITION.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25—President Henry D. Lyman of the American Surety company said today that Wallace H. Ham had been the Boston agent of the company for nearly seven years and was highly recommended when he secured the position. The Boston branch of the company is considered the most important in the country and the volume of business which it transacts is enormous. The discovery of the embezzlement was made recently by the travelling auditor, and when Ham was accused of being short in his accounts, it is said, he admitted the wrongdoing, making a full confession to the auditor and also to the trustees of St. Luke's Home for Convalescents. The alleged defaulter also turned over all his property to the American Surety company and St. Luke's home.

POWERS' BANQUET

WILL BE BIGGEST OF SEASON IN WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—Representative Samuel L. Powers is getting up the biggest banquet of the season for Washington. It is to take place Saturday night and will be given by the Tantalus club, of which Mr. Powers is president. The Tantalus club was originally composed of the 55 new members of the 57th congress. Of these 54 were strong enough in their districts to secure re-election. To these is to be added all the new members of the 58th congress. The "infants" must be initiated. Speaker Cannon will be the principal joker and the event will be the chief opportunity of the season for amateur speakers. Representative Powers is in charge and has secured the largest banqueting hall in the city for the affair.

PRESENTED A BRACELET.

A number of friends of Miss Sadie Deane gathered at her home, 63 C street, last night, and spent an enjoyable evening. Games were indulged in and refreshments were served. During the evening Mr. George Dow on behalf of the friends present presented the hostess with a beautiful gold bracelet. The party broke up at a seasonable hour.

HE DID GET LEFT

Constant Reader Tells Valentine Story

The following word treasure was received at this office by mail today:

Editor Sun:—

Will you please publish in your paper this note—there a man's that received 3 valentines and he went to a lawyer to have a girl arrested. he new the girl had money and he wanted to have a little of it. the lawyer told him he could do nothing with the case what do you think of a man that want have a girl arrested for sending valentine and the girl was not the one that send them dint he got left.

CONSTANT READER.

P—Sure—there words that aint write in the paper but you can correct them you can put it in the paper the way you want I think it worth to be put in the paper.

Constant Reader can rest assured that we agree with him as to the ridiculousness of the man's actions. The very idea of him wanting to have that girl arrested—he ought to be ashamed of himself. He was a mean man, but we must have mercy upon him because we know that the greed for gold has been at the bottom of many mean tricks. He didn't care so much about the valentines as he did the money. Too much cannot be said in praise of the lawyer who told him "He could do nothing with the case." That lawyer should have been an editor—he's too honest for the law business. He's a great man and when he dies his obituary will appear in the newspapers. The man who wanted to sue that girl should die for reasons best known to himself. And to think that the girl he wanted to have arrested was not the girl who sent him the valentines, that's the best it is yet. You ask, "Dint he get left?" and we answer "yes."

ARCHBISHOP FARLEY

RECEIVED IN PRIVATE AUDIENCE BY THE POPE.

ROME, Feb. 25.—The pope today received in private audience the Most Rev. John M. Farley, archbishop of New York, and conversed with him for a long time in the most cordial manner.

The archbishop having met the pontiff two years ago at Venice and the pope remembering with satisfaction the particulars of the meeting, their conversation was carried on in Italian. Archbishop Farley presented the pontiff a generous contribution of Peter's pence in a white velvet box decorated with the papal arms in gold. The pope thanked him warmly and inquired with great interest about the archdiocese.

SUB-TREASURY

WILL JOIN BOSTON CLEARING HOUSE.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—Assistant Treasurer Marden today received the approval of the treasury department to the admission of the sub-treasury at Boston to the Boston clearing house. The new regime is to go into operation March 1.

RENEWED BAIL

SANDFORD'S LAWYERS HAVE FILED EXCEPTIONS.

AUBURN, Me., Feb. 25.—The Rev. Frank W. Sandford, leader of the Holy Ghost and Us Society of Shiloh, Durham yesterday renewed his bail of $5000 on the five indictments for cruelty and one for manslaughter which have been found against him. Fred Harding, a business man at Lisbon Falls, and Mrs. Hanna A. Perry, wife of A. K. Perry, one of the leaders of the Shiloh movement, went bail for him. His attorneys have filed exceptions to the court's ruling, in his trial for cruelty to his son, by which he was found guilty. The case will come before the June term of the law court at Portland.

LABOR LEADER DEAD.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—John Phillips, secretary of the national organization of hatters of North America, and well known in labor circles throughout the country, died at his home in Brooklyn today after a long illness. He was 67 years of age and leaves a widow and three children.

FIVE OF FAMILY DEAD

CAYUGA, ILL., FEB. 25.—FIVE MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY OF P. S. CRAWFORD ARE DEAD AS THE RESULT OF EATING BREAD IN WHICH ARSENIC POISON HAD BEEN MIXED BY MISTAKE FOR BAKING POWDER.

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A White Enameled Table with one pound of 60 cent Tea.

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RUSSIAN-JAPANESE WAR

Continued

WILL BE HELD AS GUARDSHIPS

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—The battleships Retvizan and Cesarevitch will be temporarily employed at Port Arthur as guardships, in which capacity it has been decided their formidable guns can be utilized to good advantage. It has been found that the necessary repairs to these ships can only be fully made in the dock at Vladivostok, so the vessels will be temporarily patched up and remain at Port Arthur until circumstances will permit of their being sent to Vladivostok.

The rumors that the savings bank will not meet the demands for the repayment of deposits, in consequence of the war are emphatically denied by the Official Messenger.

JAPANESE SEIZED TONS OF BEEF

NAGASKI, Feb. 25.—The Japanese government has seized 670 tons of mess beef which was shipped from San Francisco on the steamer Korea, Feb. 9, and which was consigned to the Russian government at Vladivostok. It is thought that the Japanese government will purchase the beef.

RUSSIAN VIDETTES CUT TELEGRAPH

SEOUL, Feb. 25.—Russian videttes advanced south of Inju have cut the telegraph between Anju and Pingyang.

TAKEN PRISONER BY THE JAPANESE

SEOUL, Feb. 25.—Yi Yong Ik, who formerly was minister of war and practically dictator of Korea, and considered a friend of Russia, was taken by the Japanese when they entered Chemulpo, and on the same night put on board of a warship which took him to Japan. He went on board in court dress.

HEBREW REGIMENT TO HELP JAPAN

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Leopold Moss of Chicago, who is in this city has announced his intention of recruiting here a regiment of Hebrews for service in the Japanese army. Moss was a colonel on the staff of the late Gov. Altgeld of Illinois, and served as a captain in the war with Spain. Officials of the Japanese government have repeatedly stated that the country's laws do not permit the service of aliens, so that Colonel Moss' regiment is not at all likely to reach the front.

RUSSIA REJOICES AT JAPANESE REPULSE

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—1.45 p.m.—No further details were available this morning of the unsuccessful attempt of the Japanese to bottle up the Russian fleet at Port Arthur by sinking big merchantmen at the mouth of the harbor. The brief details contained in the official despatches indicate that the coup was planned, according to the usual Japanese tactics, to take place during the night, that it was desperately pushed and backed by eight torpedo boats which continued fighting until daylight, but that it failed completely. Great praise is given to the Russian battleship Retvizan which lay outside the harbor entrance, for her gallant work in beating off the enemy. Her part in the action shows that the reports of the injuries which she is said to have sustained in the attack of Feb. 8 were grossly exaggerated. The official despatches do not make clear the exact number of ships sent in for the purpose of blocking the throat of the harbor, or whether the four vessels destroyed were beached by the fire from the shore batteries or by the fire of the Retvizan. Consequently all the unknown additional details are expected from Viceroy Alexieff in the course of the day. As he is at Mukden the report of the commander at Port Arthur first goes to him and thence is forwarded to the czar. The report that after daylight floating torpedoes were seen in the roadstead caused anxiety. According to the latest advices the Japanese fleet yesterday was still visible on the horizon. The news of the Japanese repulse was received here with great rejoicing and was looked upon as partially wiping out the score against the enemy.

The official bulletins were given out too late for editorial comment, but the news of the initial success of Russian arms was promptly displayed. Not one of the newspapers here has yet received special despatches giving news of the Japanese repulse.

MORE DETAILS OF JAPANESE ATTACK

PARIS, Feb. 25.—Additional details of the Japanese attempt to close the entrance of the harbor of Port Arthur have been received from most authoritative quarters. These say that the Japanese sent five or six old transport hulks, convoyed by torpedo boats to Port Arthur with the evident purpose of sinking the hulks at the entrance of the harbor. The battleship Retvizan discovered their approach and her fire on them was strongly seconded by that of the shore battery north of Port Arthur. The report adds that two Japanese ships were wrecked and lie in Tiger bay, that along the shore another Japanese ship was burned and that a fourth lies wrecked on the shore outside Tiger bay. It is believed that these wrecks were not warships, but hulks designed to be sunk at the entrance of the harbor. The wrecks are said to be at considerable distances from the harbor entrance, which remains open.

This report gives no information concerning the Japanese fleet, which is said to have supported the operations against Port Arthur.

ANOTHER VERSION OF THE ATTACK

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—The Port Arthur correspondent of the Novosti telegraphs that at Port Arthur the Japanese lost steamers (number not stated) and one torpedo boat. "At the moment of writing," the correspondent continues, "twenty-three Japanese vessels were visible on the horizon and cross firing had begun, in which the Russian cruisers Bayan, Novike and Askold are participating."

CANNOT ACCOMPANY JAPANESE FLEET

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The navy department has received the following cablegram from Commander Marsh, the American naval attache at Tokio, dated yesterday:

"The foreign naval attache will not be permitted to accompany the Japanese fleet. Will be provided for at imperial headquarters, probably Kioto, Japan, next month. Later possibly at Tsushima Island.

RUSSIA TO IGNORE JAPAN'S TREATY

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25—Russia will ignore Japan's newly negotiated treaty with Korea guaranteeing the independence and integrity of the hermit kingdom and has so informed the United States. Japan, it may be stated assumes practically the same attitude of indifference towards Russia's protest to the powers which, on high authority, it is declared, will be ignored by the Tokio government.

In diplomatic circles Secretary Hay's announcement of the negotiation of the Japanese-Korean treaty created a sensation. While the treaty, it is stated, opens up possibilities for new international complications in the far eastern war, the diplomatic corps here express the firm belief that there is no ground for apprehension at present that the war will extend beyond the two belligerents and Korea.

It will not surprise diplomats conversant with Japan's plans to see an early announcement from Tokio declaring that practically all Korean ports will be opened eventually to the commerce of the world.

ADMIRAL TOGO'S DARING ATTEMPT

LONDON, Feb. 25.—Viceroy Alexieff's despatch to the czar clearing up the doubts caused by the numerous sensational versions of the last Port Arthur affair, was received in London too late to be published in the early editions of the morning papers, but it confirms the opinion founded upon earlier rumors that Admiral Togo made a daring attempt to bottle up the Russian fleet at Port Arthur, and, although Viceroy Alexieff asserts that the entrance to the harbor of Port Arthur is still free, the fact that Admiral Togo's fleet, minus the vessels injured in the courageous exploit was soon steaming at full speed on a southeast course for Wei Hai Wei, is interpreted as an indication of the Japanese admiral's satisfaction with the accomplishment of his design.

It is pointed out here that it would be difficult for the Russians in the darkness of night, to ascertain just what had happened to Japanese vessels or to distinguish between hulks it was their intention to sink and torpedo boats. As two injured vessels were observed steaming slowly away from Port Arthur, and as the Japanese fleet was going at full speed off Wei Hai Wei, it is presumed that the two injured vessels might have gone elsewhere to repair. Another explanation of the incompleteness of Admiral Togo's squadron as seen off Wei Hai Wei is that he possibly left some vessels at watch off Port Arthur.

Further details of this engagement from independent sources are awaited with the greatest interest, but it is believed that the reports that Japanese battleships or transports were sunk should be taken with a degree of allowance.

A despatch received here from Tokio this morning explained the recent suspension of Japanese naval operations to have been due chiefly to bad weather prevailing in the gulf of Pe Chi Li, where there have been heavy winds, snow storms and fogs. The general opinion in London is that Admiral Togo, after possibly returning to Japan to effect repairs, will next devote his attention to the Russian Vladivostok squadron.

It is officially announced from St. Petersburg that the Russian government has expressed its warmest thanks to Great Britain for the help given the crews of the cruiser Varlag and the torpedo gunboat Korietz by the British cruiser Talbot at Chemulpo.

In a despatch from Chefoo, a correspondent of the Daily Mail says five thousand Russian troops have moved from Mukden to Hsin Min Ting and that skirmishes are reported between Chinese regulars and Russians near Shan Hai Kwan.

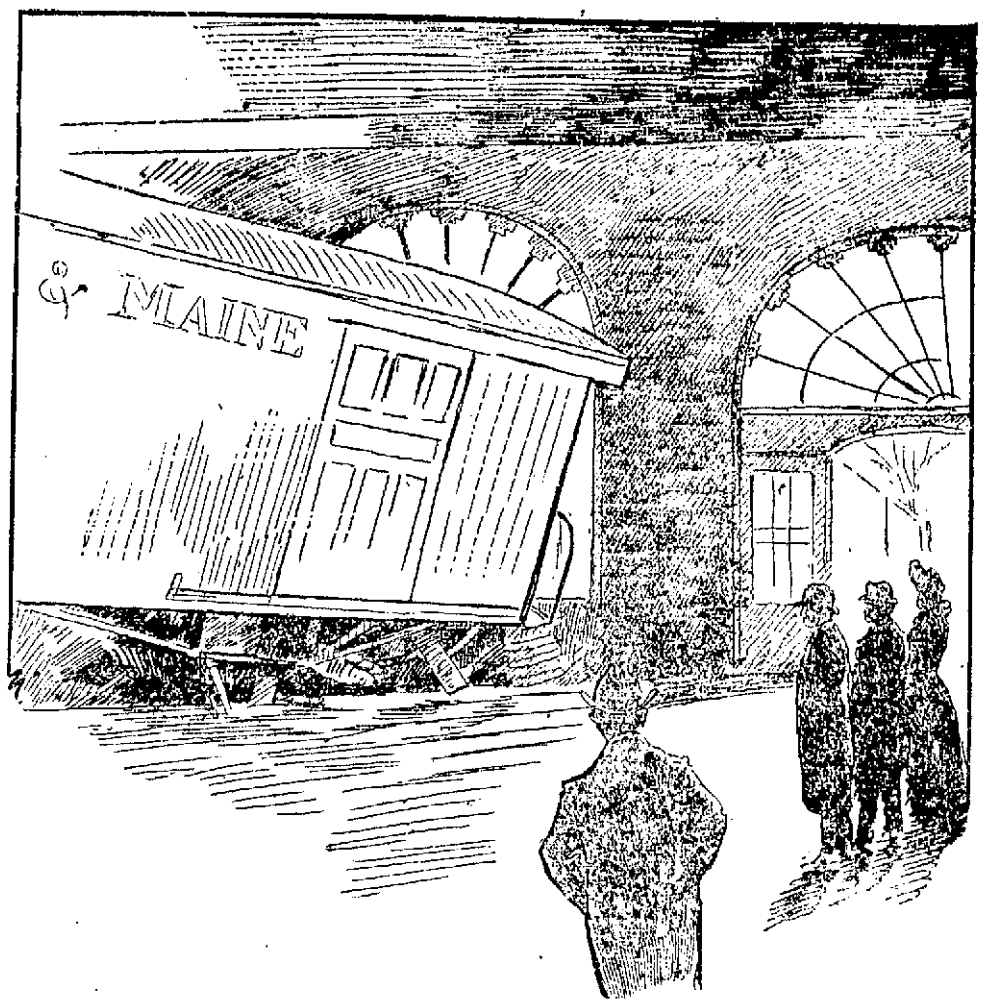
The Tokio correspondent of the Times says the Russian movements on the Yalu river are not considered serious by the Japanese, who believe that the town of Ping Yang, Korea, is safe.

It is reported that the constant exodus of Chinese coolies from Manchuria the Times correspondent goes on to say, is causing great inconvenience to the Russians.

POWERS TO SUPPORT THE RUSSIAN VIEW

PARIS, Feb. 25.—It is the belief in the highest official quarters that the powers will support the Russian view of the invalidity of the Japanese treaty with Korea, so far as it creates a Japanese protectorate over Korea, owing to the emperor's being under duress. But it is said that no immediate action on the part of the powers is required as the question of the recognition of the protectorate will definitely arise when the terms of peace are considered.

In the meantime official opinion here is strongly sympathetic with Russia's position and it is considered that Russia's note to the powers protesting against Japan's violation of Korean neutrality fully protects Russia's international rights, as the protest antedates the official announcement of the conclusion of the treaty. The foreign office considers the announcement confirmatory of the view that Russia's protest to the powers was designed to reserve all her rights and to prevent international acceptance of the treaty establishing a protectorate as announced in these despatches yesterday.



THE WRECKED CAR WHICH PLUNGED ALMOST THROUGH TO THE STREET.

RAILROAD CRASH

At the Merrimack Street Depot

BAGGAGE CAR WAS SENT THROUGH BUMPER

Track Torn Up But Nobody Injured

What might have proved to be a bad accident, attended with fatal results, was averted only by a miracle at the Merrimack street station of the Boston & Maine railroad this morning when a train backed into a baggage car and almost sent the latter through the walls of the station into Merrimack street. The car was badly damaged, the bumper twisted out of shape, and a considerable portion of rail torn up. As luck would have it the people who were in the depot were not in the path of the wrecked train and therefore nobody was injured.

Generally a baggage car is left standing in the Merrimack street station for the purpose of allowing the express companies to pile their baggage into it. Baggage car number 2501 was standing on the track this morning shortly before 7.45 o'clock when the 7.45 train for Boston backed into the station and bumping into the baggage car sent it up against the bumper in the station with such force that the bumper was torn out of place and the wooden posts were splintered while the rails on the bumper were all twisted out of shape.

But for the fact that the terminal bumper was firmly imbedded in the earth the car would have gone through the front walls of the station and into Merrimack street. A portion of the rail was dragged along with the bumper leaving a break in the rail for a distance of several feet.

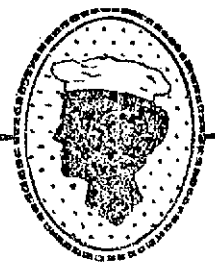
When the baggage car struck the bumper the front trucks were torn from their place and pushed against the rear trucks, the underwork of the car being badly tangled up, while that portion of the car which struck the bumper was splintered. The train which bumped into the baggage car escaped without any serious damage.

Had there been anybody passing through the door near the bumper when the accident occurred the results might have been serious. After the crash the baggage car careened on one side with the trucks and front of the car badly wrecked.

The cause of the accident has not been learned as yet or at least the officials of the Boston & Maine railroad refuse to throw any light on the subject. The engine was on the other end of the train when the accident happened as the train was backing down from the car yard after making up and the engineer either did not know that the baggage car was on the track or else he miscalculated the distance to the end of the track.

The accident was not quite so bad as that which occurred at the old Boston and Maine depot some twenty years ago when an engine crashed through into the express office.

Shortly after ten o'clock this morning the wrecking crew of the Boston & Maine railroad went to the Merrimack street station and after considerable difficulty succeeded in jacking up the body of the car and placing in position the trucks of the car which had been driven under the body. The piece of track which had been pulled away was replaced and the car will be removed to the repair shop of the railroad.



Cleveland's Baking Powder

is the acme of economical leavens. It takes less for the baking; besides it turns the food out perfect every time, so that there are never wasted materials because of badly risen, uneatable biscuit, bread or cakes.

SPECIAL NOTICES

RAILWAY MAIL and custom house examinations soon to take place. Send for circular. Room 16, No. 65 Merrimack St.

MISS M. COGNAC, 28 Aiken street, room 23—Cloak and dress maker; perfect work and fitting guaranteed and at moderately low price.

DOUBLE STAMPS, Light Blue, all this week; 100 with Baking Powder; 40 with Tea and 20 with Coffee. Dickson's Tea Store, 65 Merrimack street.

THE SUN IN BOSTON—The Sun is on sale every day at both news-stands of the Union Station in Boston. Don't forget this when taking your train for Lowell.

CARDS OF THANKS

CARD OF THANKS—We, the undersigned, wish to express our heartfelt gratitude to all our friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us by acts of kindness and words of consolation on the occasion of the death of our beloved sister, Susie.

MICHAEL BIRMINGHAM,
ELIZABETH BIRMINGHAM,
KATHARINE BIRMINGHAM.

WANTED

CASH for Trading Stamps Wednesday till 9; Thursday till 6 o'clock; Friday noon. Swan building, 26 Central street, room 1.

WANTED—To buy second-hand refrigerator with triple sliding doors. Address 83 Wamesit street.

WANTED—Dress making, children's clothing a specialty. Apply Mrs. J. M. Brown, 257 Appleton street, Lowell.

WANTED—For cash, a place 5 to 10 acres close to a city and electrics. Call or write to the Arlington house, Lowell. Mr. Dalton. Call 6 to 9 p. m.

TO LET

TO LET—House, barn and land; also for sale, beach wagon in good running order, two tons of hay and about 11 cords of manure, lots of hen netting. Inquire A. Branchaud, 25 Hadley street, Middlesex Village.

TO LET—[illegible] located room in city for one or two; modern conveniences. Also smaller room, reasonable. No. 271 Gorham street, opposite Court house.

TO LET—Two unfurnished rooms, hot and cold water, use of bath, also use of stable if desired. Inquire 280 Pine street.

TO LET—Pleasant furnished room, heat, gas and bath, centrally located. 523 Central street.

TO LET—Carpenter shop, 2000 feet floor space, 21 Middle street, second floor. Apply to C. J. Connell at J. W. Bennett & Co.'s office, 564 Middlesex street.

TO RENT—A lovely four room tenement, good location, $8. G. P. Walker, 951 Middlesex street.

TO LET—A 4-room tenement with all modern improvements. Apply at 247 School street.

TO LET—Queen street, three rooms, $7; Concord street, five rooms, $8; Centralville, five rooms, $7.50; two rooms, $4.50; other tenements and stores to rent. T. H. Elliott, 64 Central street.

TO LET—Small tenements, 631 Broadway; rent low.

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Wedding ring which I will return to the rightful owner. S. Scott, tobacconist, 31 Central street.

LOST—Saturday afternoon on Pawtucketville car or on Woodward avenue, pocketbook containing $5 bill and change, nine papers. Reward at Sun Office.

LOST—Sunday, black and white fox terrier dog; will answer to the name of Spot. Finder return to 146 Church St. and receive reward.

LOST—Lady's steel bag Saturday evening containing $23 and pair rosary beads, between Kennedy's butter market and Church street. Finder leave at James Dolch's grocery store for reward.

LOST—A pocketbook between old Meadow road and Varnum avenue. Reward at Sun office.

LOST—Roll of bills between Oaklands and Merrimack square on Lawrence street car or at Union bank building. Finder please leave at Sun office for reward.

FOUND—Monday, bat ear terrier. Owner may have by proving claim and paying for adv., 204 Moody street, after 6 p. m.

LOST—Bunch keys yesterday afternoon between Highland school and Ginter grocery store. Finder please leave at Sun office and receive reward.

POULTRY

POULTRYMEN—To make hens lay feed green cut bone; nothing like it; cut fresh daily. Adams Supply Co., 40 Middlesex street, room 18, Lowell.

LAWYER DAVENPORT

WILL BE QUESTIONED BY THE LABOR PEOPLE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Daniel Davenport of Bridgeport, Conn., representing as an attorney, the American Anti-Boycott Association, the Chicago Building Trades Council and the National Builders' Trades association made an extended argument before the house committee on judiciary today against the Grosvenor bill to limit the meaning of the word "conspiracy," and the use of restraining orders and injunctions. Mr. Davenport stated that he was associated with James H. Beck who presented an argument to the committee yesterday along the same line. The judiciary committee room was filled with the friends and opponents of the measure. Mr. Davenport is to be questioned by the representatives of labor, who favor the bill, at the conclusion of his general argument. He began by stating his objection to the bill. He said it would make lawful agreements between associations of employers and labor unions by which a non-member of either body would be excluded and boycotted; in certain respects, it would make lawful "Sago Parkerism" because extortion which he declared was practised by members of such combinations as he had referred to, would be legalized by the passage of the bill; it would take away from the states the right to declare criminal acts like the boycott.

PANAMA CANAL PAYMENT.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Secretary Shaw of the treasury department was at the sub-treasury today where he received a number of callers, including E. H. Harriman, president of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific systems; Isaac N. Seligman of the J. & W. Seligman company; James Stillman, president of the National City bank and Valentine P. Snyder, president of the National Bank of Commerce. Respecting the Panama canal payment the secretary said that no call will be issued to the depository banks for payments of the $50,000,000 involved until the attorney general had passed upon the validity of the Panama canal company's title.

COTTON FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Cotton futures opened steady. Mar., 13.73; April, 13.95; May, 14.15; June, offered, 13.96; July, 13.95; Aug., 13.52; Sept. 12.60 bid; Oct., 11.55; Nov., 11.40 bid; Dec. 11.30 bid.

A. E. O'Heir, who has been confined to his home for the past ten days with a severe cold, was out yesterday for the first time.

LEGAL NOTICES

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS—State House, Boston, Feb. 23, 1904. The Committee on Mercantile Affairs will give a hearing to parties interested in the petition (with accompanying House bill No. 966) of B. B. Arthur for legislation to provide for the regulation and inspection of electric wires in cities, at room No. 431, State House, on Tuesday, March 1st, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. H. M. Heath, Chairman. Frank Sieberlick, Clerk of the Committee.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS—State House, Boston, Feb. 23, 1904. The Committee on Federal Relations will give a hearing to parties interested in House Bill No. 132, relative to resolutions amending the National Constitution so congress may regulate the hours of labor; and Senate Bill No. 19, relative to the passage of resolutions favoring the election of United States senators by the people, at room No. 428, State House, on Friday, Feb. 26th, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. Charles E. Ward, House Chairman. John B. Lawrey, Clerk of the Committee.

To the Honorable, the Justices of the Superior Court, within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents William L. Sheridan of South Framingham in said county, that he was lawfully married to Ellen M. Sheridan, now of parts unknown, at Southboro, said commonwealth, on the 25th day of March, A. D. 1897, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said Ellen M. lived together as husband and wife in this commonwealth, to wit, at South Framingham, said commonwealth that your libellant has always been faithful to his marriage vows and obligations, but the said Ellen M. being wholly regardless of the same, at South Framingham on or about the 2nd day of June, A. D., 1900, utterly deserted your libellant and that said utter desertion has continued for more than three consecutive years next prior to the filing of this libel.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Ellen M. also there was born to your libellant of this marriage, Evelyn M. Sheridan, September 19th A. D., 1898, and your libellant prays that said minor child may be committed to his care and custody.

Dated this 18th. day of February, A. D., 1904.

WILLIAM L. SHERIDAN.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, ss.

Superior Court, Feb. 24, A. D. 1904.

Upon the libel aforesaid, it is ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before our Justices of said Courts at Cambridge, in said county, on the first Monday of April next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in The Lowell Sun, a newspaper published in Lowell in the county of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the last known residence of the libellee, that she may then and there show cause, if any she have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon.

Attest,

THEO. C. HURD, Clerk.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 23, 1904. The Joint Committee on the Judiciary will give a hearing to parties interested in the petition (House No. 688) of John J. Lynch for legislation to expedite the trial of civil causes in the Superior court appealed thereto from the lower courts; petition (House No. 689) of Clarence W. Rowley for the appointment of special justices of the Superior court to facilitate the trial of causes; petition (Senate No. 66) of William F. Dana for legislation for the better prevention of corruption in the obtaining of employment; resolve (House No. 139) to provide for the appointment of a committee to make an investigation and report what legislation is needed to relieve the Superior court from its present congestion of business; and petition (Senate No. 10) of Joseph J. Feely for legislation that will provide for the advance of certain actions for speedy trial; at room No. 237, State House, on Thursday, March 3, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. Wm. F. Dunn, Chairman. Wm. A. Kelley, Clerk of the Committee.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, Feb. 23, 1904. The Committee on Banks and Banking will give a hearing to parties interested in Senate bill No. 25, providing for the consolidating of Co-operative banks; also Senate bill No. 123, that Conway Savings bank may do business in offices with Conway National bank; also House bill No. 511, to change name of Manufacturers Trust Co.; also House bill No. 513 to increase state revenue to regulate real estate investments to prohibit Trust companies from taking real estate mortgages; and House bill No. 1046, to simplify methods of doing business in Co-operative banks, at room No. 448, State House, on Friday, Feb. 26, at 10.30 o'clock a. m. H. L. Osgood, Chairman. Daniel J. O'Brien, Clerk of the Committee.

HELP WANTED

WANTED—Two farm hands, experienced milkers; two teamsters; woman in country. 45 Merrimack street. Tel. 943-2.

WANTED—An experienced saleslady of good address. Only those who can furnish the best of references need apply at rooms 2 and 3 Associate building.

WANTED—Experienced table girl. Clam Shell, 541 Middlesex street.

AGENTS WANTED—Ladies or gentlemen, good hustlers, can make from $15 to $25 per week. Apply 159 Middlesex St., room 31.

WANTED—A good man on the farm or man and wife. S. P. Pike, corner Middlesex and Howard street.

WANTED—A coal and wood teamster. Inquire at Sun office.

EARN $50 TO $100 monthly corresponding for newspapers; $5 a column for work in spare time; no canvassing; send for particulars. Northern Press Syndicate, room 301, Lockport, N. Y.

WANTED—A clerk thoroughly posted in the paint business. Address with references L. M., Sun office.

WANTED—Salesmen, salary and commissions; large sales and big profits. Call The Arlington house, room 20, Lowell, 3 to 5 p. m.

WANTED—An experienced cook at the Quincy house, 53 Lee street.

SITUATIONS WANTED

WANTED—By young man of good address employment of any kind in city; will give $5 to anyone obtaining me good position. Address B. A., Sun office.

WANTED—Situation in small family as housekeeper; no objection to country. 120 Ford street, near Moody street.

WANTED—A situation by a middle-aged woman at light housework or would mind children able to attend school or would wash dishes in a hotel or restaurant. Inquire at 83 Crosby street.

NURSE—Capable, experienced, can be obtained at reasonable terms at 38 Jones avenue, Drucut Centre.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Democrat wagon and square wagon, nearly new, also second-hand wagon, travers runners. Apply 286 Thorndike street. Salois & Leith.

FOR SALE—16-foot naphtha launch, cheap; good condition. Inquire 22 Olive street.

FOR SALE—One nearly new pung, one good light sleigh, cheap for cash. 50 Eighteenth street.

FOR SALE—A square piano, cheap, easy payments, room 15, 65 Merrimack street.

FOR SALE—New milch Jersey cows. Apply A. Fells, 969 Lakeview avenue.

LAUGHING WATER, Edella, Pretty Little Dinah Jones, Just Kiss Yourself Goodbye, Oh, Didn't He Ramble, and 100 other popular songs, with music, postpaid for 10c. Address Albert Brooks, 2146 Fifth avenue, N. Y.

FOR SALE—A boarding house, rooms all occupied at present, at 233 Appleton street; if sold at once will let it go at $150; there are 12 rooms in the house and all furnished; sickness the only cause for wanting to sell. Inquire at 233 Appleton street.

FOR SALE—Very large boarding and lodging house, centrally located, very near P. O., all modern conveniences, hot and cold water, steam heat, gas; best location in city; doing big business at present. Further particulars at Sun office.

FOR SALE—Drug store, centrally located, well stocked. Inquire at Sun office.

FOR SALE—Cheap, a good double travers runner sleigh. Inquire at 25 Cross street.

FOR SALE—Fine double sleigh, built to order, nearly new; owner having no further use for it will sell cheap. Inquire at Sun office.

FOR SALE—To mend your stove bricks use Eagle Stove Clay. Hardware and stove dealers sell it in three size packages.

FOR SALE—Horse and team, value $300, may be had for $175; private family preferred. Apply Sun office.

FOR SALE—A variety store situated in a good business neighborhood, established trade of seven years; an exceptionally fine place for one who dressmakes; poor health of owner reason for selling. For all particulars, terms, etc., inquire of E. R. Donovan, room 1, Swan block, 26 Central street. It may be your opportunity.

RUBBER STAMPS at wholesale prices; 1-in. one line stamps 75c; 1½ in., 20c; 35c ink pads, 25c; 25c ink pads, 15c; 50c linen markers, 25c; business stamps, 15c per line. J. M. Fellows, 158 Merrimack St.

MISCELLANEOUS

350 BRIDGE STREET, White Sewing Machine Co.—Ladies, before buying try our Automatic drop machine; we have several other makes; you are sure to get suited; good second hand machines on hand; give us a call.

TRADING STAMPS GIVEN AWAY—We are giving 40 with our 50c tea, 60 with our 50c ten, 30 with our 35c coffee; we have hundreds of ladies tell us that our tea and coffee are the best in the city; come and try it; one cup will convince you; also we have fresh creamery butter every week. The Elwood Tea & Coffee Co., Davis square.

MISS UPHAM, clairvoyant and card reader; cards read 25c. 81 Merrimack St., corner John.

GLORIA is the greatest family beverage; gives weakly, nervous women vigor and health. Boyle Bros., agents. Tel.

MADAM LENORE—Clairvoyant card reader; also gifted with drawing power. 71 Tyler street.

MME. WATSON EMERSON—Clairvoyant and psychological readings at 474 Central street, also instruction in elocution and physical culture.

WOOD GIVEN AWAY—2½ miles out. Apply to depot master, Wamesit station. Must be cut and taken away at once.

DRESS GOODS REMNANTS, cheap, from the Merrimack woolen mills. Corner Store, Lakeview avenue and Pleasant street, Navy Yard.

HORSEMEN, ATTENTION!—We are now prepared to shoe your horses in the most satisfactory and scientific manner, especially horses lamed by incorrect shoeing, at the reasonable low price of 4 new shoes for $1.00; we also keep in stock a line of hand-made shoes turned by L. J. Padien, at the Fair Grounds shoeing forge, 1054 Gorham street, Lowell, Mass.

PIANO OR ORGAN LESSONS at your home; special pains taken with children or advanced pupils; will accompany any instrument for entertainments; years of experience. Mabel Randall, Chelmsford Centre.

STOVES—New and second-hand bought, sold and exchanged. Reliable Furniture Co., 105 Middlesex street.

LIMBURG—Chimney expert; chimneys swept and repaired. Residence 112S Bridge street. Telephone.

MUSIC—German zither music furnished at reasonable rates for concerts, dinner parties, church entertainments and home socials. John C. Hansen, Bon Marche studio.

IF YOU WANT your mattresses made over at your home call at 840 Central St.

BUY YOUR HAT at Delorme's, where you can have it cleaned free of charge for one year; Repairing a specialty. 261 Middlesex street.

SAVE MONEY by buying your wall papers and having your paperhanging done at D. Paker & Co's, 150 Gorham St. We will paper your room with gilt paper for $2. Good workmanship guaranteed; send postal, will call with samples.

NEW AND SECOND HAND FURNITURE bought and sold; also furniture moving done in a careful manner; always big bargains at our store. McGauvran Bros., Merrimack St., opp. City Hall.

LADIES—Dr. LaFrance's Compound gives positive relief; powerful combination used by 200,000 women; price 25 cents; druggists or by mail. Address LaFrance & Co., Philadelphia, Pa.

MONEY TO LOAN

PAWNBROKER—Money to loan; money loaned on all valuable articles, clothing; rates reasonable. A. Stela, 343 Middlesex street, Lowell, Mass.

MONEY TO LOAN on furniture, pianos and all personal property. Private office. (Strictly confidential.) Room 5, Swan building, 26 Central street.

MONEY ON CREDIT without security. Boarding houses, retail merchants and salaried people; easy payments; lowest rates in the city. Merrimack Loan Co., 25 Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN salaried people, retail merchants, teamsters, boarding houses, without security; easy payments; largest business in 42 principal cities. Tolman, room 26, Associate building.

MONEY TO LOAN at short notice on furniture, pianos, etc. Leases paid off and more money advanced. All business strictly confidential. Address W. B. Leighas, room 9, Barristers hall.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

SAILOR STABBED

American is in Critical Condition

ST. THOMAS, D. W. I., Feb. 25.—A fight occurred here Tuesday afternoon between sailors from a Spanish and an American warship which resulted in the wounding of several men and an ultimate victory for the Americans.

The fight originated when a seaman from the United States cruiser Columbia jostled a sailor from the Spanish cruiser Rio de la Plata as he passed him in the street. The Spaniard was with a companion from his ship, as was the American sailor, and all the men were on shore liberty. The Spaniard drew a stiletto and seriously wounded the American who had brushed against him. Other men from the Columbia who were on shore gathered around their companions and attacked the two Spaniards, who defended themselves with their knives and succeeded in slightly wounding several other Americans. They finally escaped, ran to the wharf and jumped into the water. They were picked up by a harbor boat and taken on board their ship. The wounded American sailor is in a hospital in a critical condition.

The Rio de la Plata left here yesterday. Her departure has been delayed to effect repairs to damages sustained in coming into collision with the Nova Scotia brigantine Peerless.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

BOSTON & MAINE R. R.

Corrected to October 12, 1903. Trains leave Merrimack street depot, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.43, 6.22, x6.42, *7.45, *8.50, *9.40, 11.00 a. m.; 1.40, 4.25, x5.44 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.45 a. m.

Trains leave Middlesex street station, Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.46, 6.28, *6.39, x6.45, w6.50, 7.01, *7.24, 7.31, *7.48, w*8.00, *8.57, w9.25, *9.50, w10.50, 11.03, *11.43 a. m.; w12.03, 12.14, w12.45, 1.44, *1.56, w2.30, x3.03, w*3.10, *3.47, w3.55, 4.28, w5.06, 5.22, x5.43, w*6.15, *6.22, w7.00, 7.29, w9.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.39, 7.24, w8.15, 8.48, 9.20 a. m.; w12.05, w4.05, 4.25, w5.30, 5.58, w8.00 p. m.

For Lawrence, 6.28, w6.50, x7.31, w8.30, w9.25, w10.50 a. m.; w12.05, 1.23, w2.30, w3.55, w5.06, w6.15, w7.00, w9.25, wq11.25 p. m. Sundays, w8.18 a. m.; w12.05, w5.30 p. m.

For Salem, Mass., 7.31 a. m.; w12.05, 1.23, a2.30, a3.55, w5.06, 5.29 p. m.

For Haverhill, 6.28, 6.50, x7.31, 8.30, 9.25, 10.50 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, w3.55, w5.06, 6.15, 7.00, 9.25, q11.25 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a. m.; 12.05, 5.30 p. m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.28 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 6.15 p. m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.28, 6.50, x7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 2.30, 3.55, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard and Portland, 6.28, 6.50, x7.31, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 3.55 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Lewiston, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 12.05, 5.06 p. m.

For Skowhegan, 8.30 a. m.

For Bangor, Belfast and Rockland, 6.28, 8.30 a. m.; 5.06 p. m. SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For St. John, N. B., Halifax, N. S., 5.06 p. m. (5.06 does not run Saturdays.) SUNDAYS, 5.30 p. m.

For Eastport and St. John (via steamer from Portland,) on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 12.05 p. m.

For Castine, Deer Isle, Sedgwick, Bar Harbor, Jonesport, Machiasport (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland,) Tuesday and Friday at 5.06 p. m.

Last trip of season Oct. 30, 1903.

For Woburn, 6.28, 7.01, *7.48, 11.05 a. m.; 1.44, 4.28 p. m. SUNDAYS, 8.48 a. m.; 4.25, 5.53 p. m.

For Ayer Junction, Stations on W. N. & P. and Fitchburg divisions, 7.07, 11.55 a. m.; 5.01 and 5.42 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2.15 p. m.

For Stations on W. N. & P. division, Nashua to Portland, Me., 9.03 a. m.; (3.40 p. m. to Rochester only.)

For Amherst, Milford and Wilton, 9.03 a. m.; 1.00, 3.40, 5.39 p. m. SUNDAYS, 2 p. m.

For Greenfield, Peterboro, Bennington, Hillsboro and Keene, 9.03 a. m.; 3.40 p. m. SUNDAYS, to Hillsboro, 2 p. m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord, 7.30, 9.03, 9.39, *10.39, a. m.; *12.09, 1.00, *1.39, 3.40, *5.39, 6.27, *8.10, *9.10 p. m. SUNDAYS, 10.02 a. m.; 2.00, 6.02, *8.10, *9.10 p. m.

For Franklin, Lebanon, White River Junction, 7.30, *9.39 a. m.; *12.09, *1.39 (to Franklin only,) 5.40, *8.10 p. m.

For Warner, Bradford, Sunapee, Newport, (N. H.) Claremont and Claremont Junction, 7.30 a. m.; 1.39 p. m.

For Stations on White Mt. Division, 9.39, *10.39 a. m.; 1.39 p. m. (6.39 p. m. to Plymouth); *10.10, 9.21 p. m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River, *10.39 a. m.; *1.39, *10.10 p. m.

For Montpelier, Essex Junction, Burlington, St. Albans, St. Johns and Montreal via Central Vermont line, *9.39 a. m.; *12.09, *8.10 p. m.

For Montreal and Quebec, via Montreal and Boston Air line, *10.39 a. m.; *1.9.10 p. m.

QUEBEC EXPRESS, via Plymouth and Sherbrooke, *10.39 a. m.; *9.10 p. m. (daily except Saturdays.

References:

a Via Wakefield Junction.
*Express. †Daily.
q Wednesdays and Saturdays only.
w Via Western Division.
x Via Bedford. z Via Wilmington Junc.

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Old Fashioned

Peppermints

Are a sure cure for that tired feeling after shoveling snow.

Try Them Now

NEWTON POLICE

Get After the Express Companies

NEWTON, Feb. 25.—Mayor Alonzo R. Weed of this city, with the co-operation of the police department, last night dealt the first blow in his campaign against the alleged illegal traffic of liquor in Newton, dispelling any remaining doubt as to his intention of establishing its reputation as a "dry city," in the strictest interpretation of the award.

Patrolmen especially selected for their acuteness last night visited each of the 20 or more express offices throughout the city and made a rigid examination of the receipt books and signatures obtained from persons to whom liquor is delivered.

Each company was forced to lay bare for inspection the receipts secured for the past two months, and the officers detailed to do the work took a record of the names and addresses of all persons who had received liquor during that time, the amount and kind. That the advent of the officers created a sensation is putting it mildly.

There were protests, and loud ones, from some of the proprietors who disputed the right of the officers to look at their books, but the police would brook no refusal. Likewise there were plenty of excuses forthcoming. In the midst of the consternation occasioned by the sudden visit of the police, books in a number of cases could not be found. But like the protests the excuses proved of no avail, and by dint of threat and persuasion the officers succeeded in securing what they were in search of.

To take care of the express companies doing business in this city, but having no office here, other men were chosen. These went on to the street and lay in wait for the delivery wagons of such companies. The drivers were held up and made to show their receipt books. Their loads were carefully inspected and the marks on all packages thought to contain liquor noted.

Whether or not the police will apply for search warrants for certain of the offices or whether or not any of the proprietors of the express companies will be hauled into court was a question which the police refused to answer. The names secured will be turned over to the mayor, and upon his recommendations is said to rest the fate of some of the men who have long been suspected of carrying on an illegal business.

CAMPHOR ADVANCING.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Camphor is rapidly advancing in price owing to the war in the far east. About a week ago it was 77 cents a pound by the barrel. It is now 85 cents and is said to be extremely scarce even at that figure.

Are You Fagged?

That run-down feeling is caused by your over-worked digestive organs not doing their work properly. Set them right, re-invigorate your system and restore sound and lasting health by using

Beecham's Pills

Sold Everywhere. In boxes 10c. and 25c.

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With self-closing cover for mill or shop use,

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60 elaborately furnished rooms to let at low rates. Every modern convenience. The finest lodging house in New England,

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In city and country. Piano and furniture packed for shipment. Prices reasonable for good work. Best of help always employed.

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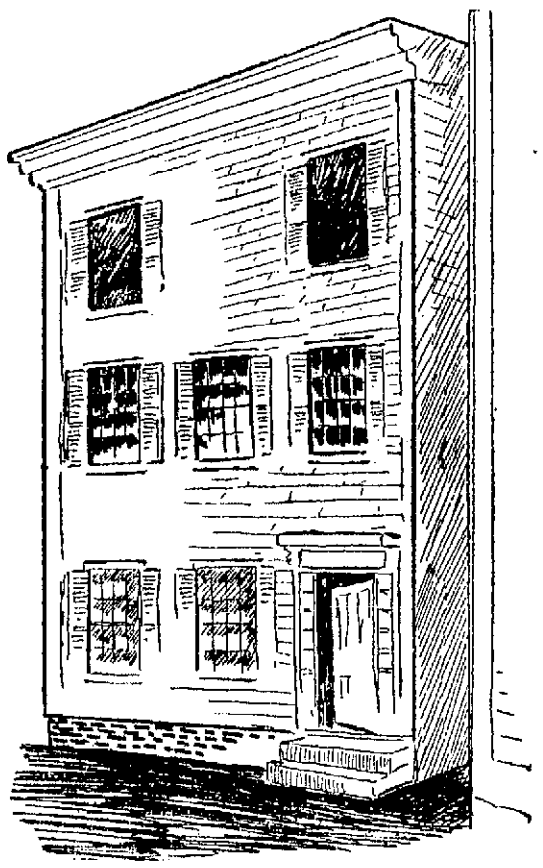
LOWELL, MASS.

SCENE OF EVICTION

Windows Put Back and Doors Replaced



THE BLOCK FROM WHICH THE WOMEN WERE EVICTED. THE WINDOWS OF THE TENEMENT HAVING BEEN REMOVED.

In Hill's Tenement in Charles Street From Which Two Aged Women Were Evicted—Shock and Exposure May Kill Mrs. Twohey

The report of the eviction of two aged women from a dingy and cheerless two-room tenement at 129 Charles street which appeared in The Sun last evening has aroused the indignation as well as the sympathy of those who read it and the man who took the windows out so that the cold wind might sweep in on the shivering forms of his aged tenants did not glorify himself in the eyes of the community.

The victims of the eviction were Mrs. Maria Twohey, aged 80 years, and Mrs. Margaret McHugh who has passed the half century mark. Hosea B. Hill owns the house and his son, Harry C. Hill, who collects his father's rent, supervised the taking out of the windows and the removal of the doors. He said he found such a step necessary because the women refused to pay the rent which was about $6 a month.

When The Sun reporter called at the house yesterday afternoon he found the two old women shivering in the miserable tenement. Mrs. Twohey was seated on a bundle of bedclothing that had been made ready for the truckman who had volunteered to remove the old ladies to the homes of friends who will care for them until such time as other arrangements for their comfort are made. It was a sad night, but not sufficiently sad to stir the heart of the landlords's agent.

EVICTION MAY KILL HER.

Patrolman John J. Crowley was rendering what assistance he could. Small boys in the street could not resist the temptation to throw snowballs through the open windows and not until the officer threatened them with arrest did the urchins disperse. The wind was blowing and the blustering snow found its way into the dismal room covering what little bedclothing and bits of furniture were there with its white coat.

With her head in her hands Mrs. Twohey sat on the bundle of clothing lamenting her sad fate. Her life, she said, had been filled with sorrow and pain and to be driven out by the process of eviction, in her old age, she said was more than she could stand. Mrs. Twohey walks with the assistance of a cane and her eyesight is almost gone. She has suffered misfortune after misfortune and her friends fear that this will end it all.

She had but recently taken up her home with the McHugh woman who, when she is able, works in the mill. Because of her advanced age, however, she is not able to work more than two or three days a week and earns barely enough to keep the wolf from the door and too often is her cupboard empty and her heart sore.

The water has been shut off in the miserable tenement for weeks past and the two women were without food or fuel. Mrs. Twohey's story of the eviction was in substance as follows:

MRS. TWOHEY'S STORY.

"Last Saturday night two men called here and took the door that opens into one room off its hinges. The night was cold and we suffered much. I fastened my bedroom door with a clothes-line so that if the two men came again they could not get in and take what little property I have, away.

"About noon today two men came again and took the windows out. It was so very cold for me that I was afraid of sickness and I had to call on my friends to take care of me. Mr. Gargan, who lives in Church street, will see that nobody harms me.

"Young Mr. Hill wanted me to go to the poor farm, but I have an awful dread of becoming a pauper, and besides my husband who was a citizen of this city for many years, could never bear to think of any of his family being carried away to a public institution. I told young Mr. Hill that I simply wouldn't go where he wanted to send me.

"In the early summer months I went to live with a family named Lord, at 217 Opal street, South Lowell. My health was very bad then, but I seemed to be getting better when the magazines blew up, and the shock nearly killed me. To think that right in the middle of winter I should be put out of the house, in a snowstorm, seems more than I can stand."

DID NOT PAY RENT.

Mrs. McHugh said she had not paid any rent for the past two months.

She said she had earned very little money, and that until recently her boy had been with her. Now he was well taken care of and she could earn money enough to pay the back rent. Mr. Hill, however, would not listen to her, she said, and was bound that she should be put out of the place. She said the water pipes in the house had frozen fully ten weeks ago, and that no attempt had been made to fix them in all that time, and because of that fact the sanitary condition of the place is very bad.

HARRY C. HILL'S STORY.

The Sun reporter paid another visit this forenoon to the house from which the old women were evicted and found that the windows and doors had been replaced. The reporter met and talked with Harry C. Hill, the young man who collects his father's rents. Mr. Hill was preparing for a visit from the board of health. A man was at work with a shovel in the shed connected with the three-room tenement and Mr. Hill was using a broom. The latter thought that The Sun reporter was a board of health man and when the reporter disabused Mr. Hill's mind of that thought, Mr. Hill said:

"What paper do you represent?"

"The Sun."

"Don't you think you had enough about the eviction in yesterday's editions?"

This question went unanswered and Mr. Hill proceeded to tell how and why it happened and his language was not the choicest in the world. He said:

"The tenement was originally let to a family named Clark, about three months ago. Just before the Clarks moved out Mrs. McHugh went in there, and when the Clarks had finally taken their household goods away the McHugh woman remained there. She did not engage the tenement and has not paid any rent. She has been very insolent and has told me that I couldn't collect any money."

He regretted very much, he said, that the steps of taking off the windows and the doors had to be taken, but said that the taunts and refusals to pay of Mrs. McHugh had led him to do what he had.

He said he had telephoned to the police station about sending Mrs. Twohey to the city farm, but that she had refused to go there. He was willing, he said, to give her a room in his father's block.

Mr. Hill said that he has taxes to pay and could not afford to house tenants who refused to pay their rent. He took the windows out and the doors off as a last resort, he said. He admitted that the water had been shut off several weeks and defended himself in that by saying that he couldn't give water to people who refused to pay their rent. He was sorry for Mrs. Twohey, he said, but thinks that Mrs. McHugh is not worthy of very much sympathy. Mrs. Twohey is at the home of friends and the shock of the eviction together with the exposure to which she was subjected has left her almost helpless.

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VALUABLE IMPORTS

ANNOUNCEMENT OF TRADE IN MEDITERRANEAN COUNTRIES.

The recent announcements with reference to new steamship lines between the United States and the Mediterranean countries lend especial interest to some statistics of our present commerce with those countries, just made public by the Department of Commerce and Labor through its Bureau of Statistics. These figures show that the imports of that section of the world fronting upon the Mediterranean and upon Indian Ocean, immediately beyond, amount to more than a billion and a half of dollars annually, and that at present the countries in question take only 6 per cent. of their total imports from the United States. Northern and western Europe takes largely of our exports, but many of the countries fronting upon tributary to the Mediranean, both those of southern Europe and northern Africa, as well as western Asia, take but a very small percentage of their total imports from the United States. Yet the field, as shown by the figures just compiled, is an important one, the total importations of the countries fronting upon or tributary to the Mediterranean, and including India and the Straits Settlemtnts, lying beyond, being in round terms, $1,600,000,000 annually, while their total imports from the United States are, in round terms, but about 100 millions.

The proportion which America products bear to the total importations on northern Europe, in comparison with those of southern Europe and northern Africa and the countries lying east of the Mediterranean, presents a striking contrast. The United Kingdom, for example, takes from the United States about 24 per cent. of her total imports; Germany, about 16 per cent.; Belgium about 12 per cent.; Netherlands, about 11 per cent.; France, about 10 per cent.; Spain, about 13 per cent., and Italy, about 12 per cent. But, aside from Italy, the Mediterranean countries and those tributary to it take from the United States a much smaller share of their imports than any of the countries above mentioned.

Of the total imports of Austria-Hungary, a part of which are by way of the Mediterranean, the United States supplies only 8 per cent.; of those of Greece, 3 per cent.; of those of Turkey, which aggregate annually more than a hundred million dollars, less than 2 per cent. Of the imports of Egypt, which aggregate 75 million dollars annually, but a little over 1 per cent. is from the United States. Roumania, which imports to the value of over 50 millions annually, shows in its reports no importations from the United States. Of the imports of British India, which amount to 200 million dollars annually, less than 2 per cent. is supplied by the United States; and of the imports into the Straits Settlements, which amount to about 130 million dollars annually, less than 1 per cent. is from the United States.

Considering the share which the various great sections of the world take of their imports from the United States, it may be said that North America as a whole, by reason of proximity to the United States, takes 40 per cent. of its total imports from this country; Europe, about 15 per cent.; South America, about 10 per cent.; Asia and Oceania, as a whole, about 9 per cent.; while the group of countries above referred to, tributary to the Mediterranean or immediately east thereof, as already stated, take but 6 per cent. of their imports from the United States.

25 to 35 per cent. discount at Oriental Bazaar.

WHITNEY'S WILL

$100,000 LEFT TO HIS DAUGHTER'S COMPANION.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—William C. Whitney's will was filed for probate at Mineola, L. I., yesterday. Harry Payne Whitney is made sole executor and trustee. The only bequest of public interest is one of $10,000 a year to Miss Beatrice Bend, "payable quarterly during the minority of my daughter Dorothy, provided and as long as the said Miss Bend shall remain with my daughter in the capacity of companion."

AMERICAN GLEE CLUB.

The American Glee club held a meeting last evening and elected officers for the ensuing six months as follows: President, J. Burns; vice-president, William Lynch; financial secretary, B. Arlin; recording secretary, E. Higgins; treasurer, B. O'Hogan and two members to the board of trustees, namely J. Haney and Paul Conway.

It was voted to run a barge party to Concord and Lexington April 19th for the members and their lady friends.

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HUSBAND'S CRIME

Shot His Wife and Killed Himself

PORTLAND, Me., Feb. 25.—Shortly after midnight Charles E. G. Laurick, aged 40, living on Fernald street, East Deering, shot his wife Mary, aged about 45, over the right ear with a 32-calibre revolver and then turned the weapon to his own head, the bullet entering his brain and death ensuing instantly.

The injured woman was taken to the Maine General hospital where she is in a precarious condition.

They were married about a year ago and are said to have been continually quarreling.

Mrs. Laurick has two children by a former husband, a boy, aged 14 and a girl aged 11.

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COURT DECISION

WILL AFFECT ABOUT 2,000 PERSONS.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 25.—The recent decision of the supreme court of the United States in awarding the "Overlap lands" to the Northern Pacific railway will affect almost 2,000 persons in this county. The contested grants comprise all the odd sections in the northern and western portion of Clark county, most of it being fine timber, grazing and farm lands. The settlers must either buy their land over again from the company or forfeit the farms they have occupied and improved for years.

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Pickled Shrimp or Little Neck Clams, 1-lb. cans..... 10c
Good American Sardines, can 5c
"La Loubrey" Imported French Sardines, ¼'s, can..... 30c
Tall cans Alaska Pink Salmon, Doz. 90c; can 8c
1-lb. flat cans Alaska Medium Red Salmon, can..... 10c
Fancy Sockeye Salmon, "Midnight Sun" brand, rich and oily, 1-lb. steak, Doz. $1.75; can 15c
Large Navel Oranges, doz... 19c
Fancy Cal. Oranges, doz..... 13c
Maine Hebron Potatoes, peck 33c
3-lb. cans Good Tomatoes, 3 cans 20c
2-lb. cans Early June Peas, Doz. 95c; can 8c
Good New Rice, 5 lbs..... 19c
Mother's Oats, 2-lb. pkg..... 8c
Ralston Breakfast Food, pkg. 10c
"Welcome" Soap, 6 bars.....25c
Fancy Fig Bar Crackers, lb. 10c
Fancy Home-Made Preserves, 5-lb. stone jars.....43c
Fancy Fresh Rolled Roast Beef, lb. 11c
York State Pea Beans, per peck 55c
Best Pure Lard, 10-lb. pail, 95c
North's Sugar Cured Hams, per lb. 14c
Postum Cereal, per pkg.....19c
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STILL WINNING

South Framingham Defeated Natick Team

LOWELL HIGH WON A GAME AT MANCHESTER

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SOUTH FRAMINGHAM, Feb. 25.—South Framingham keeps up its winning streak. Last night the home team got away with a game from Natick by a score of 34 to 20. South Framingham led from the start but for two periods Natick had a great opportunity to win. In the final period Harry Hough, who had not played in the previous periods, was sent in and proved to be Johnny on the spot, for with three baskets he gave the home team a safe lead and the visitors were somewhat discouraged. Hough took Fogarty's place in this period and had his side partner Ferat to play with him. Mayham also scored three baskets in this period. At the close of the first period the score was 6 to 4 in favor of the home team and at the end of the second period South Framingham had the lead by a score of 16 to 12.

SO. FRAMINGHAM—34	20—NATICK
Fogarty, Hough lf	rb H. Sheridan, Healy
Ferat rf	lb Healey, H. Sheridan
Mulliner c	c W. Sheridan
Mayham lb	rf Punch, Martens
Kinkaide rb	lf Falle

FIRST PERIOD.

Goal, Natick, W. Sheridan	0—2
Goal, South Framingham, Ferat	2—2
Goal, Natick, Healey	2—4
Goal, South Framingham, Ferat	4—4
Goal, South Framingham, Ferat	6—4

SECOND PERIOD.

Goal, Natick, Punch	6—6
Third foul, So. Framingham, Ferat	6—7
Third foul, Natick, Falle	7—7
Third foul, So. Framingham, Mayham	7—8
Goal, South Framingham, Fogarty	9—8
Goal, Natick, Healey	9—10
Goal, South Framingham, Ferat	11—10
Goal, South Framingham, Ferat	13—10
Third foul, Natick, Falle	14—10
Goal, Natick, H. Sheridan	14—12
Goal, South Framingham, Fogarty	16—12

THIRD PERIOD.

Goal, South Framingham, Mayham	18—12
Third foul, So. Framingham, Ferat	18—13
Goal, Natick, W. Sheridan	18—15
Third foul, Natick, Falle	19—15
Goal, South Framingham, Hough	21—15
Goal, Natick, Falle	21—17
Goal, South Framingham, Ferat	23—17
Goal, South Framingham, Hough	25—17
Third foul, Natick, Healey	26—17
Third foul, So. Fram., Mulliner	26—18
Goal, South Framingham, Hough	28—18
Goal, South Framingham, Mayham	30—18
Goal, South Framingham, Mayham	32—18
Goal, Natick, Martens	32—20
Goal, South Framingham, Mulliner	34—20

Score—South Framingham 34, Natick 20. Goals from floor—Ferat 6, Fogarty 2, Hough 3, Mayham 3, Mulliner 2, W. Sheridan 2, H. Sheridan, Martens, Healey 2, Punch, Falle. Points on fouls—South Framingham 4, Natick 4. Fouls committed—Falle 5, Healey 3, H. Sheridan, W. Sheridan, Punch 3, Fogarty, Hough, Ferat 8, Mulliner 3, Mayham 4, Kinkaide. Referee—Michael Godley of Fitchburg. Timekeepers—Joe Kynoch for South Framingham. Hugh Healey for Natick. Attendance—800.

LOWELL HIGH WON.

MANCHESTER, Feb. 25.—In a hard-fought game of basketball, in the Y. M. C. A. cage, yesterday afternoon, the team of the Lowell high school defeated the local team by a score of 25 to 16. The game was well and fiercely played by the local boys, with the exception of Young and Bartlett, who did not appear to get warmed to their work throughout the game.

The work of the Lowell boys was excellent and their passing far excelled any thing which has been seen in this city in an amateur game this season. It was a hard-earned victory and was well deserved. The Manchester team was badly weakened by the loss of three of its best men—Bruce, who is laid up with a bad wrist; Bailey, who is suffering from a bad knee, and Gordon.

BATTERY C 34, CO. L 8.

LAWRENCE, Feb. 25—Battery C defeated Co. L in a one-sided game of basket ball at the armory last night by the score of 34 to 8. The summary:

BATTERY C	CO. L
Lacasse rf	lb Carmody
Duhamel lf	rg Halloran
Boulger c	c Ryan
Coperwaithe rb	lf Hannagan
Begin rb	
Degenhart lb	rf McRoble

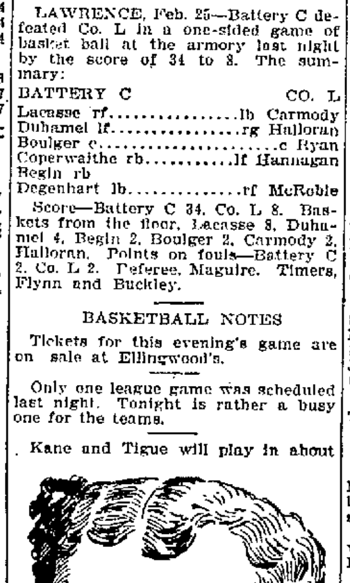
Score—Battery C 34, Co. L 8. Baskets from the floor, Lacasse 8, Duhamel 4, Begin 2, Boulger 2, Carmody 2, Halloran. Points on fouls—Battery C 2, Co. L 2. Referee, Maguire. Timers, Flynn and Buckley.

BASKETBALL NOTES

Tickets for this evening's game are on sale at Ellingwood's.

Only one league game was scheduled last night. Tonight is rather a busy one for the teams.

Kane and Tigue will play in about every game from now to the finish of the season.



TIGUE, of the Lowell Basketball Team

Lowell is the banner city in the league for attendances. The audiences are getting larger in this city each game.

Toby is still all right. When it comes to keeping in the front rank your uncle Toby stays with the best of them.

Lowell will play in South Framingham again next Monday night and on the following Thursday night South Framingham will visit Lowell.

The Lowell team put in good afternoon's practise this afternoon, being lined up against Joe Cronin's players. The practice continued for about two hours.

Haverhill rooters will come to this city tonight prepared to make it warm for Lowell rooters who may have a dollar or two to place on the local team.

Haverhill with Wachter the "race horse" will be the attraction in Huntington hall tonight. Bucky Lew and the other speedy fellows who took a fall out of Hudson Tuesday night will be in the lineup.

William Marley, the well known referee, has resigned his position with the league and leaves today for Burlington, Vt., where he will take a responsible position in the employ of the American Woolen company.

The Haverhill High school team is coming up with the Haverhill team tonight and will tackle the Textile school team in the preliminary game. Next Tuesday night the Textile school team will face the local High school team in the preliminary game to the big contest.

When the Manchester rooters heard that Hough threw ten baskets in this city last Saturday night they said that if Regan had been covering him Hough would have a hard time turning the trick. Tuesday night Hough played against Regan in Manchester and tossed twelve baskets.

When the team now representing South Framingham first came to this state to play the men received $45 a month. Then they got an advance of $5 a month and later the captain Kincaid asked for $60 a month for the men and got it. Later when the high salaries paid in this league became known to the men in western state league they wanted more money and when the latter organization disbanded Kincaid, Harry Hough and the other men on the team were getting $80 a week. Quite a jump in salary in a single season.

ON THE ALLEYS

MOHAIRS DEFEAT BIGELOWS BY TWO PINS.

One of the closest contests in the tournament of the Lowell Recreation Bowling League, now in progress, was played last night between the Mohairs and the Bigelows, in which the former won by a score of 1229 to 1227. Rhodes was high single and high total man for the victorious team, while for the defeated team McGreevy was high single and Jordan high total man. The score:

MOHAIRS.

	1	2	3	Total
Southam	77	82	79	238
Harrison	69	87	74	230
Rhodes	86	86	95	267
Whittaker	81	89	77	247
Harriman	94	78	75	247
Totals	407	422	400	1229

BIGELOWS.

	1	2	3	Total
Singleton	80	83	81	244
McGreevy	94	69	89	252
McKinley	84	87	79	250
Jordan	93	81	82	256
Usher	72	73	80	225
Totals	423	393	411	1227

THE RESERVES WON.

The Reserves and the Weavers of the Mohairs played a hot game on the alleys last night and the Reserves won by a score of 1148 to 1131. The score:

Mohair Reserves—Southam, 231; Greenwood, 248; Harrison, 242; Humphriss, 215; Fielding, 212; total 1148.

Mohair Weavers—Rhodes 221, Hamilton 243, Collins 242, Mills 207, Webb 218; total, 1131.

ROYAL ARCANUMS WON.

The Royal Arcanum team met the team representing the Highland club on the latter's alleys last night and the Arcanumites defeated their entertainers by 30 pins in a close and well contested game, the R. A.'s winning all three strings. R. Libby of the losing team was high man with a three string total of 270, but his single string of 97 was equalled by Abbott of the winning team. The score:

Royal Arcanum—Manseur 256, Fowler 255, Abbott 261, Langerin 240, Smith 220; total, 1232.

Highland Club—E. Libby 241, Lazelle 225, Wing 230, R. Libby 270, Runels 227, total 1202.

SEVERELY TROUNCED.

The Cornock Trimmers were trimmed by the Graham Pets in a bowling contest held on the alleys last night, the score being 1198 to 1106 in favor of the Pets. The score:

Graham Pets—Graham 212, Brissett 243, Kidder 258, Wright 240, Eastham 245; total 1198.

Cornock Trimmers—Cornock 201, Brigham 247, McElroy 207, Bishop 233, Robinson 215; total 1106.

Mark down sale at Oriental Bazaar.

BAKER DISMISSED

BECAUSE HE WOULD NOT SPELL "ROUTING" WITH AN "E."

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—W. L. Baker, the clerk in the office of the quartermaster at Fort Sheridan, who refused to spell "routing" with an "e," although ordered to do so by his superior, Lieut. Col. Miller, yesterday, received his discharge from the secretary of war, to whom the question of spelling had been referred. Baker says that he will appeal to President Roosevelt.

The word was used in an order relating to the transportation of troops and Baker was ordered by Lieut. Col. Miller to spell it "routeing." He said that he could not conscientiously spell it with an "e."

Brig. Gen. Fred D. Grant, the commander of the department of the Lakes, approved the dismissal of Baker, saying that he was given a legitimate order and was guilty of insubordination when he refused to carry it out.

CENSUS BUREAU REPORT.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—The census bureau yesterday issued a report on the mining of coal in the United States for the year ended December 31, 1902. It shows a total production of 301,590,439 short tons. Of this total 260,216,844 tons were bituminous and 41,373,595 tons anthracite.

Oriental Bazaar, 318 Merrimack street.

LADUE VS. SWEENEY

LOWELL AND NASHUA WRESTLERS TO MEET IN HUNTINGTON HALL TOMORROW NIGHT.

Just how much science in wrestling will count against muscle and strength will be determined tomorrow night in Huntington hall, when Paul Sweeney, the Nashua giant, and William Ladue, a well known wrestling expert, who has made Lowell his home, will meet for the second time this winter.

In the first match, which was held in Nashua, Sweeney won two falls, but the Lowell man claimed that he was not in good condition, and asked Sweeney for another match. The present bout is the result. Sweeney will weigh 205, while Ladue will weigh not more than 140. Sweeney represents the bull dog type in wrestling, while Ladue represents the scientific. No wrestling bout has ever attracted more attention in this city than the Sweeney-Ladue affair. Three other bouts also will be pulled off. Callery vs. Rogers; Muggins vs. Fraje; Pearson vs. Plourde.

WILLIAM LADUE.

BOXING GOSSIP

Interest in the coming bout between Jimmy Walsh of Newton and Kid Flannery of this city has taken a big jump since yesterday when Walsh knocked out Tommy Quigley of Wilkesbarre, Pa., in 13 rounds in private for $500 a side and gate receipts, 30 men paying $5 each to see the bout. Quigley is considered one of the liveliest bantams in the country and was the favorite in the betting but Walsh showed up better than ever before and after five rounds had matters his own way. The men weighed one hundred and ten pounds, which is a few pounds heavier than the weight at which Walsh will meet Flannery. Walsh gave Quigley a bad beating but that does not shake the confidence of Flannery's friends. Flannery is a harder hitter than most bantams, in fact he has the hitting power of a man 30 pounds heavier and he excels at infighting. He is perhaps not as clever a boxer as Walsh but it isn't always the cleverest boxer who wins.

Flannery is training hard, that is at boxing and bag punching to improve his speed and accuracy of eye but he is down to weight and does not need to take any more off. Manager Flaherty of Riverview club is arranging for some good preliminaries and the meeting promises to be the best the club has ever held. A large number of well known Boston sports have applied for membership in the club in anticipation of this bout.

It is probable that Manager Flaherty will get Jockey Brady and Kid Broad for one of the preliminaries. This pair would put up a lively bout. They are also little fellows and it is the little fellows who give the better exhibition.

Terry McGovern wants to get back on top of the heap and is out for another go with Young Corbett. Terry was quite a boy while he was going but another go with Young Corbett looks a might dubious for the New Yorker.

A western travelling man who saw the Gardner-Fitz fight was in town a few days ago, and speaking of that fight with a party of friends expressed the belief that if Gardner and Fitz ever came together again Gardner would win. "The trouble with Gardner," said the travelling man, "was that he was overawed by Fitz. Perhaps some people would say afraid, when he entered the ring. Fitz was the mightiest game he had ever tried to bag and was a big favorite in the betting. Gardner was beaten when he went into the ring, but now that he has met Fitz once I think he would go after him with more confidence and show up better."

TOMMY RYAN WON.

INDIANAPOLIS, Feb. 25.—Tommy Ryan, middleweight champion, defeated Jack Deauscholte last night in the Auditorium rink in the sixth round of what was to have been a ten-round fight. In the sixth Deauscholte was in such condition that Ryan quit hitting him and was given the fight.

NEW ENGLAND LEAGUE.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—The officials of the New England Baseball league announced yesterday that its meeting scheduled for March 1 would be held instead on Feb. 29 in this city. The time was changed on account of conflict with the date of meeting of the National league of baseball clubs.

BASEBALL DISPUTES.

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 25.—The national board of arbitration of minor baseball leagues concluded its meeting last evening after giving out an interpretation of the secondary draft rule and deciding disputes over a large number of players.

John Flatler, claimed by Baltimore, was awarded to Albany; Joyce to Buffalo; Pitcher Duquette to Rochester; A. H. Stackpole to New Bedford; L. C. Gardner, to Buffalo; V. Borden to Haverhill, and S. F. Suggs to Nashua.

PERSONALS

City Editor Burtt B. Warren of the Nashua Telegraph visited Lowell friends, Tuesday evening.

Rev. Dr. and Mrs. George E. Martin of Pawtucket street held an informal "at home" to their parishioners and friends last night.

Mrs. William Brautigan, bookkeeper at Joseph Marin's, is dangerously ill with pneumonia at her home in Merrimack street.

THE INSURGENTS

Fired on the New York Says Wainwright

REPORT OF AFFAIR AT SAN DOMINGO

American Consular Agent's Daughter Injured

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—By order of Secretary Moody, the report of Captain Richard Wainwright, commanding the Newark, regarding his recent reconnoisance about Santo Domingo was made public at the navy department yesterday. Captain Wainwright found on his arrival at Sanchez that the daughter and brother-in-law of the American consular agent, had both been wounded by the same bullet in the fighting there. As it was expected that the attack on Feb. 8 would be repeated the following day, he wrote a letter to the commanders of the government and insurgent forces protesting against further firing in the streets of the city or towards the houses of the inhabitants, and to make his protest effective, landed a force of 20 marines and a company of bluejackets, who took up their position in a general merchandise store for the night. The night passed without an attack. The following day the Montgomery arrived and landed marines to relieve the forces ashore from the Newark. Captain Wainwright had an interview with President Morales on board the Newark that day as to conditions in Samana bay.

Regarding the firing on the American steamship New York by the insurgent forces while she was unloading her cargo, Captain Wainwright says:

"President Morales returned to Sanchez in the President late in the evening of the 9th of February, and remained until the next morning. In the meantime I had learned from the report of the Montgomery that it was claimed by the American consular agent in Samana that President Morales had violated asylum granted by our consular agent to men several days before. Gen. Morales came on board the Newark and informed me that he had not taken the men from the consulate at Samana, but from a farm outside the town, which belonged to the consular agent. I informed him that he must be careful to respect the American flag and the consulate.

"He informed me that he had passed a decree closing Monte Christi and Macoria. I advised him to be careful how he interfered with American or foreign commerce, but did not question the doubtful validity of his decree, as there was a senior officer at Santo Domingo City.

"I got under way about 9 o'clock Feb. 10, leaving the Montgomery in Samana bay and steamed directly for Santo Domingo City, where I arrived at about 10 o'clock on the morning of the 11th.

"The New York reported that she had entered Monte Christi, having cargo for that place, but that General Morales had fired upon the lighters coming out to take his cargo. The New York went to Puerto Plata where a written agreement was entered into between General Morales and the Clyde agents, that the cargo for Monte Christi with the exception of arms and ammunition, should be deposited there in the custom house and later sent overland to Monte Christi.

"The whole southeastern peninsula is in the hands of the insurgents and Santo Domingo City is surrounded and closely invested by 1200 men of the insurgent forces.

"Upon arriving off Santo Domingo City I found the U. S. S. Columbia and at once reported to Captain Miller. The steamship New York arrived shortly after me and at noon went alongside the dock in the river to unload her cargo, about 1900 barrels.

"Captain Miller had made a written agreement with the commanding generals of both forces that here would be no firing on that side of the city while the New York was at the dock.

"The Columbia's steam launch with a large U. S. flag on the bows went into the dock, preceding the New York, also flying an American flag. The insurgents from the east bank of the river fired upon the New York and upon the Columbia's steam launch. After consultation with Captain Miller and by his direction I moved to a position directly opposite the river and shelled the east bank of the river in order to drive back into the interior all insurgents in that neighborhood, preparing the way for landing a battalion composed of the landing force of the Columbia and Newark.

"The battalion under command of Lieut. Commander Parker, equipped in light marching order, landed at about half-past four.

"At a small town about half a mile in the interior insurgents were found in some force, under the command of General Jose Tiburzier. The general was warned to remove his forces at once, back into the interior, away from the east bank of the river, and that he should not fire on the town again from that side. He signed another written agreement to that effect and at once collected his forces and marched his men into the interior."

TOWNS RECAPTURED.

SAN DOMINGO, Saturday, Feb. 20.—The towns of San Cristobal and Bani have been re-captured by forces from the government gunboat Presidente. Another government force has been sent to attack the insurgents at San Pedro de Macoris.

U.S. Minister Powell has notified the government that Washington does not recognize the closing of ports at present in possession of the government. The blockade is ineffective.

The insurgents inflicted damage to property in the vicinity of this city. The town of San Carlos has been almost completely destroyed.

Sacrifice prices at Oriental Bazaar.

ROBERT J. CROWLEY

GETS PLACE ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Hon. William S. McNary, chairman of the Massachusetts democratic state committee, has appointed the executive committee for 1904 and called a meeting at the state committee headquarters, 4 Liberty square, Boston, Saturday, Feb. 27, at 1 p. m.

The only changes in the committee are the substitution of the names of Charles S. Hamlin of Boston and Robert J. Crowley of Lowell for Thomas J. Gargan of Boston and William T. Jenney of Medford, both of whom retired from the state committee last year.

The committee is as follows: John J. Flaherty of Gloucester, chairman; Josiah Quincy of Boston, Edward Gilmore of Brockton, John W. Glynn of Springfield, Col. A. C. Drinkwater of Braintree, P. J. Daly of Boston, James E. Sullivan of Fall River, Robert M. Burnett of Southboro, John H. Lee of Boston, Robert J. Crowley of Lowell, M. M. Cunniff of Boston, Charles S. Hamlin of Boston.

DEGREE FOR JUSSERAND.

MONTREAL, Feb. 25.—The board of governors of McGill university yesterday conferred the degree of doctor of laws upon M. Jusserand, French ambassador at Washington, in recognition of his distinguished contributions to English literature.

CITY HALL NOTES

City Solicitor Hogan is still confined to his home by illness.

The cemetery trustees met last night but transacted only routine business.

Mr. Hector Lavallee who has been taking a census of the births in Little Canada and Pawtucketville has finished his duties. He reports 560 infants—at 10 cents per head for the census taker, which is not bad for Hector nor for the good people of the district who evidently are determined that the ward seven race will never become extinct.

If the eight other wards could show up as well the total increase in the population by birth would be 4960, which being far in excess of the death rate would have us colonizing the suburbs in a few years.

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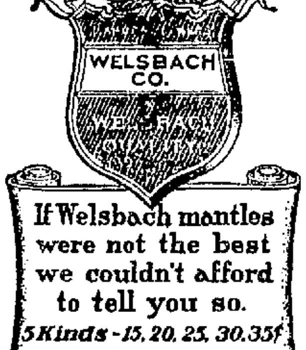

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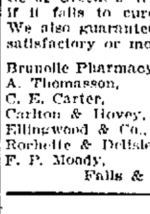

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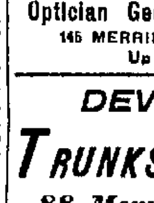

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The sworn daily average circulation for the month of January, 1904, was: **15,432**

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Senator Hanna's last official act was to write a personal letter to the president, expressing appreciation of the latter's visit and inquiry as to the senator's condition. Hanna had a keen appreciation of favors.

THE TRAMPS AND THE TRUANTS.

It is proposed to have a state tramp commissioner whose duty it will be to consort with hobos and assist in rounding them up. The idea is spreading from Boston that all tramps should be treated as criminals. This is a mistake. The best medicine for the tramp is to make him work for what he eats.

In line with this proposition is another to provide a state truant officer. It seems that somebody is endeavoring to provide easy berths for a few more grafters.

The question of proper fire protection for theatres is under consideration by the legislature and it is probable that out of all the suggestions made, something practical will be done to safeguard the public in theatres. The very best scheme proposed is state inspection and publicity. By this scheme if applied the theatres would have to post in a conspicuous place, perhaps on the drop curtain in front of the audience, the result of a fire inspection as to conditions of safety. If this indicated that the house was unsafe in case of fire the audience would soon scatter and the result would be that the necessary changes would be promptly made.

THE DEATH OF MR. CLAPP.

The death of Henry Austin Clapp is a loss to the world of letters. His fame as a Shakespearean scholar was well earned for few men ever drank from the Shakespearean springs with more inebriating effect. He was a man of rare dramatic talent, an authority on dramatic art and a lecturer of no mean ability. Mr. Clapp some years ago delivered a series of lectures upon Shakeperean plays in the Unitarian church and his audiences on those occasions still remember him with vivid recollections of his entertaining talks, his great insight to Shakespeare's works and the wide scope of knowledge which he brought to bear upon the subject.

A RESTRICTION ON MARRIAGE.

Chicago bank officials seem to realize the impossibility of supporting a family and keeping up to style on $1000 a year. They have promulgated a rule forbidding all employes whose salary is under $1000 to get married presumably for the reason that a man trying to support a family on less than that amount would be under a strong temptation to steal. The bank men say the rule does not prohibit marriage as the men have an opportunity to rise rapidly. If the obstacles to the rising process are not well nigh insuperable, it would be the best plan for the young man to overcome them before embarking upon the sea of matrimony.

TO SAFEGUARD MEMORIAL HALL.

The Molly Varnum ladies have made an honest protest against the manner in which Memorial hall is used. They wanted it placed in control of the library trustees but this request met strong opposition.

The petition and the hearing upon it should be sufficient to cause the city council to take proper steps to protect the hall against fire. If the charge that it is a fire trap be true, then greater precautions still should be used to prevent the possibility of damage by fire. The Molly Varnum contention is largely sustained by public sentiment in spite of the opposition. The public now demands that the city council adopts extraordinary measures to safeguard Memorial hall.

BRADEN AS A PARLIAMENTARIAN.

President Braden of the common council certainly proved himself a law unto himself when he decided to change his vote in violation of the precedent established by himself earlier in the year. Yet Braden says he is the authority on such matters. It was beyond Cushing's power to decide a question both affirmatively and negatively at the same time. Braden ruled that Councilman Welch could not change his vote without the consent of the body and he ruled that Councilman Braden could change his vote without the consent of the body. Braden's decision in this regard resembles the road that was down hill both ways. It would be as logical for Braden to vote yea and nay on the same question as to decide as he did, but according to his statement he is the authority.

ENGLAND'S ALLIANCE WITH JAPAN.

The citizens of this republic have an object lesson as to the effect of treaties of alliance in the relations now existing between England and Japan. To all intents and purposes Russia hates England quite as much as Japan. Indeed she seems to believe that England planned and incited the war. In virtue of her alliance England must stand ready to defend Japan should any other power interfere to help Russia. France is similarly bound to stand by Russia. Were the United States in alliance with England we should be drawn into the swirl of eastern militarism whether we liked it or not, and in the end a combination of European powers would assail us in this hemisphere. Had England been able to form an alliance with the United States she might not have entered into the alliance with Japan but she was isolated for a time and felt it necessary to unite with some naval power. She failed to persuade the United States but succeeded in getting Japan to join her with what result the future will reveal.

THE ISSUES OF THE WAR.

It will be a distinct triumph for civilization if the great eastern war be settled without involving other powers than the belligerents and plunging the whole of Europe and the greater part of Asia into a terrible struggle. The questions involved are whether Russia will be the great Asiatic power, or whether Russia's power shall be reduced and Japan raised as the dominant power in the far east. The power that wins in this war will threaten the integrity of China and may eventually rule China so that England may well feel somewhat alarmed over her interests in India and her Asiatic trade.

France and Germany are more or less interested with Russia in preventing the rise of Japan and the advance of England's naval and military power. The danger of war involving other powers is very great. It was to avoid this danger that England and France agreed not to interfere unless forced into the conflict. Russia, however, seems determined to form a triple alliance that will bring to her aid Germany as well as France; but unless they set out to assist her on the sea their assistance would accomplish little. Their interference would precipitate the greatest war the world ever saw and one which the United States might find it difficult to avoid.

SEEN AND HEARD

For the first time in the memory of the oldest inhabitant a third crop of ice, of nine inches thick, is being cut from Spy pond, Arlington.

Patrick Holland, one of Winchester's oldest residents who died Monday at the ripe age of 86 years, was one of the men who constructed the Boston & Lowell railroad.

The late Commander Martin E. Hall, U. S. N., who died Sunday night, married the eldest daughter of the late Oliver E. Cushing, who for many years was agent of the Lowell Gaslight company.

It was fitting that water should have collapsed the freight house on Jackson street in a no-license year. The house was a famous storage place for beer, and a water "chaser" after beer is said to have fatal results.

The local Eagles give practical proof of their brotherly love by interesting themselves in the case of the daughter of the late Wm. H. Gordon. The young woman is an orphan and the Eagles propose to protect the orphans, which is very much to their credit.

It seems poetic justice that the "bad lands" of New Mexico are being visited by earthquakes, for the inhabitants of those lands are reported to have no fear of God or man. The earthquakes may bring them to a realization of a hereafter, where the wicked make no complaint of severe winter weather. And this brings us nearer home, for how is it that Lawrence is visited by tornadoes while Lowell is entirely free from such awful visitations? The answer is obvious.

It is no surprise to hear that "Fighting Bob" Evans, who is now in Asiatic waters and whose term of service expires by age limit, wants an extension of service so as to see the Russian-Japanese war. Admiral Evans is no land-lubber—his whole career from boyhood is full of active, aggressive duty, and from all accounts he is among the foremost of our American seamen. Not a few men in Massachusetts sailed under "Fighting Bob" when he was a captain, and among the number is "Mike" Garvey, ex-council man and ex-representative, who saw service under him and always speaks warmly in his praise.

MAYOR SCORED

COUNSEL FOR DEFENCE GETS AFTER INSPECTOR.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24—Continuing his argument in the postal trial today, Charles Douglass, for the defence, charged the prosecution with not having come out into the open with respect to the Lorenz note for $25,000. The deductions of the government regarding the financial transactions of Lorenz and Machen he characterized as the most remarkable specimen of jugglery in figures in the history of the court, having for its object the landing behind the bars of an erstwhile distinguished official of the government and four others whose reputations have been as clean as his. He charged that certain financial actions between Machen and Lorenz had been deliberately and purposely excluded by the government from all calculation because they did not suit the government's end, aim and purpose. Inspector Mayer, he also charged, had returned to Mr. Lorenz twenty out of thirty-seven checks, because they did not suit his purposes and it was Mayer, he added, who was the real prosecutor in this case. He criticized the failure of the government to pay to the Groffs a balance of $13,000 and said it was simply a "hold up game."

Escaped an Awful Fate.

Mr. H. Higgins of Melbourne, Fla., writes: "My doctor told me I had Consumption and nothing could be done for me. I was given up to die. The offer of a free trial bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption induced me to try it. Results were startling. I am now on the road to recovery and owe all to Dr. King's New Discovery. It surely saved my life." This great cure is guaranteed for all throat and lung diseases at Goodale's drug store, 217 Central street, Lowell. Price 50c and $1. Trial bottles free.

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The reunion brought together old friends of by-gone days from distant parts while letters were read from others upon whom Time had set its seal and who were unable to make the trip to the assembly place.

The affair was a success and aside from the tinge of sadness imparted by the letters from the comrades unable to attend was a most enjoyable event. The "boys" cast aside their cares and burden of years and were young soldiers again, recounting the best incidents of the war days.

The business meeting which preceded the social time was called to order by Charles H. Richardson, after which the reports of Secretary W. H. Spalding, Treasurer Andrew Liddell and the executive committee consisting of George W. Wiggin, Henry A. Coburn and George G. Tarbell, Clarendon Goodwin and Randolph C. Lord, were unanimously accepted. Resolutions upon the death of Harvey Weld at the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea, Nov. 12, 1903, were introduced by Franklin S. Pevey and R. C. Lord, and were adopted.

The resolutions were as follows:

Whereas—Another comrade of Co. G has answered to the last roll call. Harvey Weld of this city died at the Soldier's Home, Chelsea, Mass., Nov. 12, 1903; buried in Soldiers' Home lot, Malden, Mass. Comrade Weld was a good soldier, always willing to do his duty as a soldier wherever and whenever called upon and although of a retiring disposition, was always ready to adapt himself to the spirit of the occasion—therefore be it resolved—that in the death of Comrade Weld the company has lost another member whose place cannot be filled.

Resolved—That these resolutions be spread on the records and be published with the doings of this meeting.

Home, blessed home, that is promised up there,
All parting over and no pain or care;
Hope of the weary one, joy of the blest,
There shall the troubled heart find perfect rest.

FRANKLIN S. PEVEY,
R. C. LORD.
Committee.

A nominating committee, consisting of Franklin S. Pevey, William A. Morriss and Andrew Liddell, was appointed, and this committee announced the following names for officers for the ensuing year:

President, S. August Lenfest, Wakefield; vice-president, William A. Morris, New York; secretary, W. H. Spalding, Lowell; treasurer, Andrew Liddell, Lowell; executive committee, George W. Wiggin, Reading; Henry A. Coburn; George G. Tarbell, East Pepperell, Mass.; Clarendon Goodwin, Lowell; Randolph C. Lord, Lowell.

After the election of officers the party repaired to the banquet hall where dinner was served, followed by a social time in the hotel parlors, where Secretary Spaulding read letters from many of the members who were unable to attend. Many of these letters were decidedly interesting as they dealt with happenings of the war days.

Among those who wrote were:

Capt. George L. Cady, San Diego, Cal.; Frank Buncher, Birmingham, Mich.; William E. Hill, Elizabeth, N. J.; William B. Tingley, Providence; Willis B. Atkins, Durand, Wis.; John M. Averill, Boston; H. T. Barnard, West Stafford, Conn.; George D. Coburn, Boston; A. T. Green, Lowell; George W. Hall, Haverhill; T. A. McMaster, Bangor, Me.; Granville K. McAlvin, Boston; Charles H. Farmenter, Oakland, Cal.; E. E. Reed, Salem; Joseph H. Sears, National Military home, Indiana; F. M. Spaulding, Los Angeles, Cal.; Charles Spencer, Newport News, Va.; John Spencer, Meriden, Conn.; S. E. Stearns, Thorndike; George W. Wiggin, Reading; Charles W. Brigham, Boston.

All of the members present entertained with witticisms and stories, and the evening passed all too quickly. The following members were present:

Alonzo C. Grout, Grand Junction, Col.; Franklin S. Pevey, Lowell; Henry C. Hutchinson, Lowell; William P. Farrington, Lowell; Charles C. Foote, Lowell; George Henley, Newark, N. J.; Charles B. Kitchen, Lowell; Manly S. Knowles, Lowell; Andrew Liddell, Lowell; Randolph C. Lord, Lowell; William A. Morriss, New York; Charles H. Richardson, Lowell; Frederick J. Small, Lowell; William H. Spalding, Lowell; Henry A. Coburn, Lowell; Albert S. Stackpole, West Lebanon, Me.; Major Chas. A. Stott, Dr. George E. Pinkham of Lowell, honorary members.

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WASHINGTON SUPPER

HELD AT ELIOT CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

The vestry of the Eliot Congregational church on Summer street, was the scene of a most enjoyable time last evening. The event was a Martha Washington supper given under the auspices of the Ladies' Charitable society of the church. Supper was served from six until seven o'clock, and was one of the sort that these ladies are famous for. All of the waitresses in attendance were appropriately attired in Martha Washington costumes which added to the tone of the event.

In the evening the Young People's society presented a most enjoyable two-act comedy drama in which nine of the most prominent members of the society were the actors. The title of the play was "Old Acre Folks." This was by no means the first attempt that the young people of the church have made in the dramatic art but the performance of last evening was perhaps the most entertaining and laughable of any presented this winter. From the time that the curtain went up on the first act until it fell on the last act the audience were kept in a perfect turmoil of laughter and surprise at each succeeding incident of the performance.

The play itself was good and is of the order of the average domestic dramas that of late have become so popular. All the performers in the play were well up in their parts which is something unusual in amateur performances. The cast of characters was as follows:

The Deacon's Wife, Annie W. Chase; The Deacon's Daughter, Ruth Eaton; The Squire's Housekeeper, Marion Faulkner; The Squire, George P. Longfellow; The Deacon's Son, Roland W. Black; The Squire's Daughter, Esther M. Greene; The Country Boy, Albert W. Pease; The Stranger, Albert A. Ludwig; The Deacon, Edmond A. Damsay.

Act I—Jlayin' time. The deacon's setting-room. (Supposed lapse of six months.)

Act II—Sleighin' time. The deacon's setting-room again. Place—Old Acre, Maine.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC

That beautiful American domestic drama, "The Parish Priest," will be presented at the Academy of Music three nights and daily matinees commencing this afternoon.

"The Parish Priest," by Daniel L. Hart, is an American domestic drama. Both press and public declare it to be the sweetest, most wholesome and delightful comedy drama of recent years, one critic on the Boston Transcript saying: "It is a far better play than 'The Old Homestead.'" The story itself is simple and natural, and in it there are no crimes to unmask, no scheming villains to restrain and no tragedies to face. From first to last it is a play of humanity. There is not a line, not an action which does not portray some real life. There are only real men and women for characters, living and talking as naturally as possible, loving strongly and truly, exhibiting weaknesses which are human and confessing weaknesses humanly. The character of Fr. Whalen portrays a man who lives and moves as other men, who in his vocation as priest ministers to souls but does not forget to minister to the body. There is absolutely not a grain of sectarianism in "The Parish Priest." Father Whalen might be of any other calling so far as the lines of the play or the situations are concerned. He teaches no sectarian doctrine and no religion other than that of Christian brotherhood, which in his own person receives its strongest and most effective realization. He does not preach a sermon. He lives it, and by his example makes others feel its benign and ennobling effects. The scene of the play is a small Pennsylvania town in the Wyoming Valley. There Father Whalen has lived all his life. He knows every individual of his flock, understands and sympathizes with their joys and their weaknesses, and, with a firm hand or with a tactful diplomacy, as the occasion demands, guides them to their daily avocations. His true philosophy, his genial humanity and his genuine Irish wit and humor are omnipresent. A strong love interest pervades the play with ambition as the counter current and the proper assorting of two couples separated by the latter impulse as the action of the piece.

SOCIAL AND FRATERNAL

The Knights of Sherwood Forest, Uniform Rank of Foresters, held a most successful meeting last evening, in Elks' hall, Fiske block. It was voted to pay a sick benefit of $50, and seven new members were initiated. The knights will hold their annual ball in Foresters' hall, April 28. The following committee was elected to make arrangements for the event: John Sahouren, chairman; assisted by Thomas Morse, John P. Boyers, Fred Valley and William D. Sahourin.

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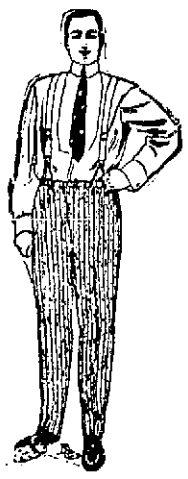

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REV. MR. WEDGE

Formally Installed as Pastor Last Evening

AT WORTHEN STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

Many Clergymen Assist at Installation

Rev. Arthur P. Wedge, the new pastor of the Worthen Street Baptist church, was formally installed as pastor last evening in the presence of a large congregation and amid appropriate and impressive services. Several local and visiting clergymen assisted at the installation which was presided over by Rev. Smith T. Ford of this city. The decorations were confined to the platform which was adorned with potted plants and two beautiful bouquets.

Seated upon the platform besides the new minister were Rev. Smith T. Ford, D. D., Rev. Asa R. Dilts of the Branch Street Tabernacle, Rev. J. F. Allen, pastor of the Worthen Street Methodist church, Rev. Orville Coates, pastor of the Fifth Street Baptist church, Rev. W. O. Ayer, Rev. W. S. Ayres, a former pastor of the Worthen Street Baptist church, and Rev. B. D. Hahn, D. D., of Springfield, Mass.

The program opened shortly after 8 o'clock, with an organ voluntary by Miss Emma Coote, following which Divine blessing was invoked by Rev. Smith T. Ford, in the absence of Rev. J. M. Greene, D. D., who was unable to be present.

Rev. Asa Reed Dilts then read from the Scripture after which Rev. W. O. Ayer lead the congregation in prayer. The sermon for the occasion was preached by Rev. B. D. Hahn, and was a masterly effort.

Rev. Orville Coates delivered the charge to pastor. He spoke of the cosmopolitan character of the city's inhabitants and impressed upon him the fact that his field now lies in a metropolitan city and that if he possessed a knowledge of every language that is spoken he would here find opportunity to converse in each of them. He then dwelt at length upon the duties of a pastor and concluded in words of warm welcome to the new pastor.

Rev. W. S. Ayres for the second time since he was pastor of the church, delivered the charge to the church.

Mr. Ayres informed the congregation of the importance that was attached to their efforts to assist the pastor in his work. As one who could speak from experience, he predicted that Mr. Wedge would receive the undivided co-operation of the parishioners. He said too, that the parishioners should be frank with their pastor and work with him as man to man in order to produce the best and most desired results.

The welcome to the city was extended to Mr. Wedge in a most cordial manner by Rev. James F. Allen. Mr. Allen said that Lowell was not the city that one was led to think it might be from what was said of it outside. His words of welcome which came at the conclusion of his remarks were inspiring and sincere.

It was the intention to have the welcome of the church association extended to the new pastor by Rev. C. L. Pierce but this feature was omitted in consequence of Mr. Pierce's absence.

The service closed with benediction by the pastor.

SECRETARY TAFT

WANTS FORBES TO ACCEPT COMMISSIONERSHIP.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—Sec. Taft returned to Washington from Cincinnati yesterday. Cameron Forbes, recently confirmed as a Philippine commissioner called upon the secretary and indicated a disposition to decline the appointment on the ground that the health of his uncle required his undivided attention in caring for the business interests that fell to his charge. The secretary was extremely anxious to secure Mr. Forbes' services because of his executive and technical abilities and induced him to withhold a final decision for a time. It is probable that if the new commissioner is not required to repair to Manila in the immediate future he may be able to arrange his business so as ultimately to accept the appointment.

WM. A BRADY

SAID TO HAVE LOST $10,000 AT POKER.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—In the Green Room club in West 47th street a quiet game of poker was played one night last week which has set the whole rialto talking. It was not a small game, by any means, if the statements of those who know about it are true. Theatrical men chiefly sat in the game, and, according to the report, William A. Brady was the principal loser.

Several reports were current yesterday about the game which is said to have begun last Friday night, after the curtains went down along Broadway, and to have lasted till they went up again the next night. All these reports agree on the one point that Mr. Brady was a heavy loser.

It is told that during the sitting he was about $85,000 behind, but that at the end he was only a $10,000 loser. One version is that he settled for $10,000. Another version, told by those who have inside knowledge, is that, after losing $55,000, three more hands were played and Mr. Brady won back $75,000 of what he had lost.

Mr. Brady could not be found yesterday or last night at the theatre where his play is being produced here, and there were many engagements which Mr. Brady had for yesterday which he failed to keep. As the manager of pugilists and of his wife, who is Grace George, Mr. Brady is well known in theatrical circles. He is president of the Green Room club.

Kimonas at $1.50, at Oriental Bazaar.

MATRIMONIAL

A very pretty wedding occurred last evening at 6.30 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Barrett, 158 Sayles street, when Rev. T. Clayton Welles, pastor of the Highland Congregational church, united in marriage Miss Hattie Belle Barrett of this city and Mr. Thomas Adams Remington of Boston. The bride was attended by Miss Mabel Severance, while the best man was Mr. Benjamin T. Smith of Andover. Mr. D. Nathan Gage, Jr., of Andover, Mr. William L. Rogers of Boston, and Mr. Walter C. Donald of Andover officiated as ushers. The bride was prettily gowned in white crepe de chine over white silk, and carried lilies of the valley, while in contrast the bridemaid was attired in pale blue silk and carried bridal roses. Following the wedding ceremony a reception was enjoyed between the hours of 7 and 9. Mr. and Mrs. Remington left on the late train. After May 1st they will be at home to their friends at 510 Talbot avenue, Ashmont, Mass.

EIGHT ENGLISH GIRLS AT THE CASTO.

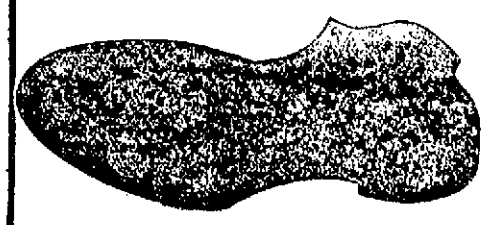
The Eight English Girls who head this week's bill at the Casto are repeating their London success at this theater. For two years they were the sensation of the English metropolis, and this week they are the talk of this city. They are all handsome girls in face and figure, and their singing, dancing and acrobatic work is excellent. The remainder of the program is made up of star acts which are all comedy, and the bill is one that is drawing large crowds at the Casto.

Pursuant to Manager Haynes' usual custom the Casto will close Saturday evening, Feb. 27th, and remain closed during Lent. It will reopen on Monday matinee, April 4th, with an all star bill.

REV. FR. CRANE DEAD.

LAWRENCE, Mass., Feb. 25.—Rev. Peter Crane, O. S. A., died at the parochial residence on Haverhill street after an illness of several weeks. He was 69 years of age.

Shod for Winter



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MAINE DIOCESE

The First to Establish Gregorian Music

BISHOP O'CONNELL TAKES THE INITIATIVE

Move in Accord With the Pope's Decree

The Rt. Rev. Bishop O'Connell of Portland, Me., has taken the initiative among the prelates of the Catholic archdiocese of Boston and the province of New England in regard to establishing the Gregorian music as supreme in the churches of his diocese, in accordance with a recent decree of Pope Pius X., addressed to all the bishops and pastors of the Catholic world.

The musicians and soloists of the churches of the Maine diocese will therefore be the first of their class in New England to feel the effect of this far-reaching edict. The bishop has prepared a pastoral communication to be issued to the priests under his direction, enjoining the immediate and scrupulous enforcement of the instructions contained in the Pope's document, and further declaring that the regulations are to be accepted as having the force of universal law in the church.

The bishop's letter asserts that the Gregorian chant, being the form of music especially consecrated to the liturgy of the church, ought to be restored as fully as possible to the functions of public worship, and that the liturgical compositions should be the music generally heard in the churches.

Concerning modern music, he says that, on occasions when such is admitted, the compositions sung should be characterized by sobriety and gravity, and everything savoring of a profane character should be rigorously excluded.

As a preparation for further progress in the same direction, the bishop enacts another regulation which, he says, it has long been desirable to put into force. This concerns the language of the church, which, he says, is becoming less and less familiar to the people and is a matter to be regretted. One great source of edification to the congregations is their participation in the ritual of the church, and from this they are naturally excluded as long as they are unfamiliar with the Latin language, which the church uses in her liturgy.

To remove this obstacle, the bishop orders that the children in schools and Sunday schools under Catholic direction be familiarized with the canticles and hymns employed in the Catholic worship in order that they may later be enabled to share properly in ecclesiastical functions in accordance with the intention of the church.

He directs that the children be taught the Lord's Prayer, the Hail Mary and a number of other specified prayers, in the Latin language, and that all vocal prayers in the schools henceforth be recited in the same tongue. The principal hymns of the liturgy and the Latin "ordinary" of the mass according to the Gregorian notation, are also to be embraced in the work of the schools.

Commenting upon his order, the bishop says that the ruling will no doubt entail the exercise of great patience and perseverance upon those in charge of the training of the children, but that there is no other way to prepare for a proper observance of the Pope's decree.

He says that for some time he has given his personal attention to the matter in connection with the choir and schools connected with the Cathedral parish, and is able to announce that, although the difficulties were large, the results are consoling and satisfactory in an encouraging degree.

DOVER CHOSEN

AS SECRETARY OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 25.—Elmer Dover, assistant secretary of the republican national committee, and private secretary of the late Senator Hanna, will succeed Perry S. Heath as secretary of the committee. The appointment will be announced this week by Acting Chairman Payne. Mr. Dover will serve until the new committee meets at Chicago, and it is now altogether probable that if he cares to serve he will be chosen as the permanent secretary. It is understood that the president and Mr. Payne both favor this action, as Mr. Dover is familiar with the work and has shown marked adaptability for the place. His long and valuable service with Senator Hanna, by whom he was trusted with many important matters, has given him a wide acquaintance with republicans in all parts of the country.

William F. Stone, collector of customs at Baltimore, who was appointed sergeant-at-arms of the republican national committee, tendered his resignation last week upon hearing of the death of Marcus A. Hanna, by whom he was appointed. Today Mr. Payne notified him that his services were needed by the committee, and that his resignation could not be accepted.

REGULAR MEETING

NEW MEMBERS WERE ADMITTED TO CARPENTERS' UNION.

The French Carpenters' union, No. 1610, held its regular meeting last evening at 23 Middle street. It was voted to hold a general public meeting to take action on the proposed affiliation of the Carpenters with the Structural Workers of America. This affiliation, if resolved upon, will go into effect on April 4 next.

Four new members were admitted and four new applications received.

BAZAAR OPENED

By General Fiske Lodge I. O. G. T.

A good sized audience last evening assisted at the opening of the fair held under the auspices of General Fiske lodge, No. 44, I. O. G. T., at Highland hall, which will continue this evening with an elaborate program.

Many prettily decorated booths are arranged about the hall and these did a rushing business during the evening.

Conspicuous among the booths was that dedicated to America and England and decorated with the national colors of the two countries, the decorations surmounted by the inscription, "Two Friends." Within the booth were two pretty little misses, Mina F. Brooks, representing America, and Alice Ingham, representing England.

The other tables arranged on either side of the hall represent the four seasons, "Spring, summer, autumn and winter." The table denominated "Spring," was decorated in rose pink and nile green and contained fancy articles, useful as well as ornamental and was in charge of Mrs. Arthur S. Locke assisted by Mrs. Albert E. Brooks, Mrs. C. H. Bartlett, Miss Mildred Locke, Mrs. Edith Coggeshall and Miss Hattie Johnson.

The table designated "Summer," was set off in national colors and contained sweet meats of all kinds and was in charge of Mrs. D. H. Chandler, who was assisted by Mrs. Peter Sayard, Miss Alice Morse, Miss Gertrude Moore, Miss Lizzie Chandler.

On the opposite side of the hall from the summer table was arranged the fortune teller's booth in charge of Madame Lucinda while adjoining was the "Autumn" booth. This was set off with boughs of trees and greenery emblematic of the autumnal season. On this table were for sale canned goods, fancy crackers and pop corn. It was in charge of Mrs. Agnes Clough, assisted by Mr. Alex Davis, William Davis, Lillian Dana, and Edna Dana.

Next came the peanut stand decorated with American flags and in charge of Mr. D. N. Jones.

The table designated "Winter" had a roof representing snow and was in charge of Mrs. Hattie Jones assisted by Miss May Kendall and Miss Bertha Ober.

The ice cream department was in charge of Mr. D. H. Chandler and Mrs. L. S. Wood assisted by Miss Jane Short, Mrs. Addie Hunt, Mrs. Harrison, Mrs. Hilt, Mrs. George McDonald. The waitresses were: Mrs. Grace Maguire, Miss Mabel Hunt, Mrs. Edith Coggeshall, Miss Lillian Wood and Mrs. Arthur Matheson. During the evening the ladies of the Highland M. E. church held their monthly supper in the banquet hall. During the evening Rev. S. D. Millin, pastor of the Mt. Vernon Free Baptist church rendered several highly entertaining recitations. Tonight there will be music by an orchestra of nine pieces, and there will be singing by Master Leo Mayo. General Fiske lodge was organized six years ago last August in the basement of the Highland M. E. church during the pastorate of Rev. Charles Tilton, starting with a membership of eleven. For three years the meetings were held in the above mentioned church basement when its present quarters in Highland hall were secured. Its present membership is about fifty while it had at one time a membership roll of 180. Its present Chief Templar is Mr. Henry C. Flanders, while among its past chief templars were besides the present chief, Arthur Clough, Arthur Armistead, George McDonald, Archibald Pelton, Adolph Myrick, J. Burdick, Mrs. Agnes Clough, Charles Petrie, D. H. Jones, Mrs. D. H. Jones.

LIVELY DEBATE

BY THE FRANKLIN DEBATING CLUB.

The regular meeting of the Franklin Debating club was held last night and an interesting report was read by the committee in charge of the recent debate held at the Branch Street Tabernacle. It is the intention of the club in the near future to carry on a debate with the Solon Stevens Debating club.

The literary program of the evening was a debate on the question: "Resolved, That Russia should accede to Japan's demands." The affirmative side was upheld by Hazen Pillsbury and John Finch, while the arguments for the negative were presented by George Moss and P. J. Begley. The judges, John H. Murphy, George McElroy and M. O'Donoghue, decided in favor of the affirmative. The critic was Harold Caverly.

ACCUSED RIVAL

GIRL SAID SHE GAVE HER RIVAL POISONED CANDY.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 25.—Holding an inoffensive gumdrop in her fingers, Christina Perfetto, aged 10, accompanied by her father, appealed to the police yesterday to have her rival, Mary Grandenetti, arrested for an alleged attempt to kill her by poisoned sweetmeats. According to Miss Perfetto, she worked in the buckle factory with the two Grandenetti girls, Mary and Jennie, and the three were bosom friends until Nicholas Potenti, who had been Mary's beau, transferred his attentions to herself. Since then the Grandenetti sisters had had nothing to do with her until yesterday morning, when she accepted three large, luscious gumdrops from Jennie as a peace offering.

One of the candies she ate, but, biting into the second, she detected the smell of ammonia, and then the bitter taste of the candy alarmed her. She quit work at once and marched home with the third gumdrop to show her parents, who immediately demanded of the police the arrest of the entire Grendenetti family. To the great disgust of the Perfettos, Capt. Brewer was unable to assist them in any manner, beyond recommending the use of a stomach pump.

FIGHT IN COURTS

To Settle the Workmen's Trouble

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—As an outcome of yesterday's election at the convention of the Massachusetts grand lodge of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, the state body is threatened with disruption and the contest between the factions reached a point where it is predicted that the quarrel will be carried into the courts. The division came yesterday when John Symonds of Lynn was elected grand master workman over A. L. Bateman of Norwood. Symonds was a candidate of the party supporting the action of the state body which last November voted to withdraw from the supreme lodge. Mr. Bateman was the candidate of the minority who favored a reconsideration of the action taken last fall. The vote was 304 to 169.

Although the rupture has been regarded as almost certain, it came rather suddenly last night. The business of the organization was nearly completed with the election of officers in the afternoon. Last night when the motion was made to proceed with installation of officers, Supreme Workman Wm. H. Miller of St. Louis declined to install the newly elected ones, or to permit any other supreme officer present to do so on the ground that the grand lodge was guilty of insubordination in refusing to vote in favor of continuing the guaranty fund. He therefore declared that the grand lodge was in revolt and asked those who were loyal to the supreme lodge and its officers to leave the hall and go across the corridor into an adjoining hall with him, which they did. Here a meeting lasting more than an hour was held, at which several speeches were made.

Supreme Master Workman Miller assured those who had followed him that the full strength of the order would be guaranteed those who had taken the action he asked, and their certificates would be protected by the 430,000 members represented outside of those who, he claimed, had by their action seceded from the order.

Meanwhile the majority of the representatives who had won in the election, and who were hostile to the supreme officers proceeded to transact business and elected other officers as follows:

Isaac W. C. Webster, grand foreman; James J. Reedy, grand overseer; Chas. Fearing, grand recorder; Thomas F. Temple, grand receiver.

A lengthy resolution, authorizing the corporation to proceed and conduct the business under the Massachusetts charter of the grand lodge, regardless of any action of the supreme lodge, was then adopted, and the gathering resolved itself again into a meeting of the grand lodge and authorized the payment by the grand receiver Thomas F. Temple of the expenses of the delegates. Both factions adjourned about the same time.

JUROR'S FAMILY

Infatuated With Car Barn Bandit

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Mayor Harrison appeared in court yesterday as a witness against the car barn bandits. The mayor testified against the claim that the confessions of the defendants were secured by intimidation and force.

Judge Kersten learned yesterday that the mother and sister of one of the jurors had become apparently infatuated with Gustav Marx, one of the defendants, and were sending to Marx in his cell in the county jail daily, gifts of fruit and flowers. The women have been constant attendants at the proceedings ever since the hearing of testimony began anad have been in communication with the jurors. Judge Kersten instructed the bailiffs to permit no intercourse between the juror and his family.

GRANITEVILLE

Despite the inclemency of the weather there was a large attendance at the Washington party held in the M. E. church in Graniteville Monday night. A good old-fashioned supper was served from 6.30 till 8.30 o'clock. After the supper a short musical entertainment was held, the program being as follows: Chorus, "Auld Long Syne," "Star Spangled Banner," choir; solo, "Out on the Deep," Rev. C. C. P. Hiller; solo and chorus, "Cousin Jedediah," Mr. Alfred Prinn, Miss Daisy Bent, Miss Emily Prinn, Mr. Stephen Gardell; chorus, "Invitation," choir, solo, "The Sword of Bunker Hill," Mr. Charles Smith; piano duet, Miss Normington and Miss Sargent; solo, selected, Miss Carmichael; solo, "Monarch of the Woods," Rev. C. C. P. Hiller; solos and chorus, "Swanee River," Miss Carmichael, soloist; solo, "Grandma's Advice," Mrs. Charles Wright; chorus, "God Bless Our Native Land," choir.

The baseball enthusiasts of Graniteville are beginning to get ready for the coming season and a meeting will be held Friday night to see whether or not that town will be represented in the Stony Brook league. The object is to form a six-club league and having the following clubs in line: Shirley, Littleton, Graniteville, West Chelmsford, North Chelmsford and Middlesex.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE.

A meeting of the committee in charge of the St. Patrick's day parade was held last night and encouraging reports were read by several committees sent out recently to invite out of town delegations to participate in the parade. After the meeting Chief Marshal John J. O'Connell and the marshals of the different divisions met to lay out the route of parade and make up the roster.

ADVERSE REPORT

On Governor Bates' License Measure

In the lower branch of the legislature yesterday the committee on liquor law reported "ought not to pass" on a bill, in line with the recommendation of Gov. Bates, calling for the payment of one-half of the fees from liquor licenses to the state, instead of one-fourth, as at present.

Representatives Gardiner of Raynham and Richardson of Millis of the house dissent.

It is understood that Representative Newton of Everett will ask to have the report tabled today until other similar matters, which relate to increasing the revenue of the commonwealth, shall have been reported upon.

It is believed at the state house that a sharp fight in behalf of the bill will be made by the supporters of the governor.

The committee on liquor law reported adversely on the petition of representative J. J. Good of ward 27 that only residents of Boston shall be licensed to sell intoxicating liquors in Boston.

Representative Walker of Waltham and Representative Wheatley of North Abington had a wordy debate over a bill to provide for the better examination of bodies before embalming or burial. The committee on public health reported that the bill ought not to pass, and Mr. Walker challenged that report. He said that he believed there were many cases of burial when the person was not dead. The house sustained Mr. Walker and the bill was not rejected, but was given its first reading.

The committee on education reported reference to the next general court on the petition of Mrs. H. H. A. Beach for state supervision of the instruction of music in the public schools.

The committee on judiciary reported adversely on the petition of Representative D. P. Keefe of Fall River to prevent the sale of theatre tickets by speculators.

The committee on education reported favorably on a bill to incorporate the Boston Y. M. C. A. and give it the right to grant degrees. Representative Allen of Brockton dissents.

JAMES LEE DEAD

HE WAS THE INVENTOR OF THE LEE RIFLE.

BRANFORD, Conn., Feb. 25.—James Parish Lee, the inventor of the Lee rifle, died last night at Fort Beach after a lingering illness.

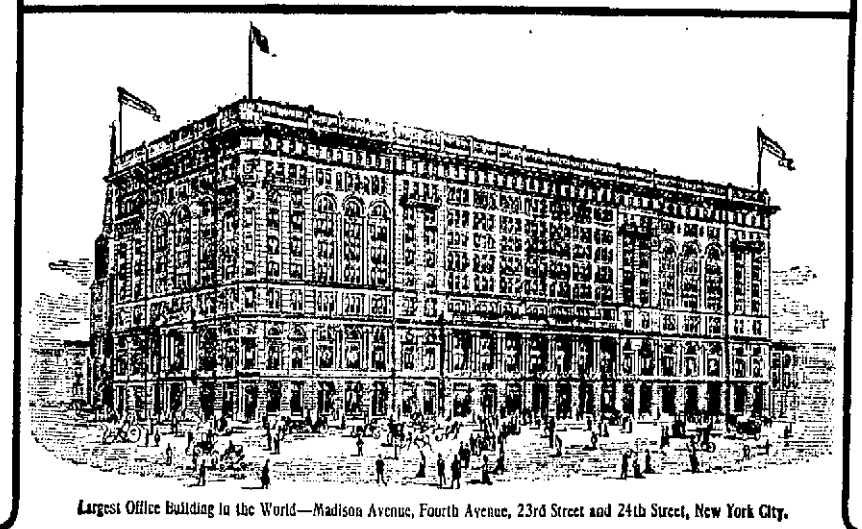
Mr. Lee was born in Hawkiel, Scotland, 57 years ago. He was the inventor of the Lee-Enfield rifle, used by British army and also of the Lee rifle used by the United States government several years ago.

PROOF OF PUBLIC CONFIDENCE

The Number of Policies in force is greater than that of any other Company in America and greater than that of all the Regular Life Insurance Companies put together (less one) and can only be appreciated by comparison. It is a greater number than the COMBINED POPULATION of Connecticut, Vermont, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Delaware, Florida, Colorado, Oregon, Washington, Wyoming, Nevada, Montana, Idaho, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, Alaska, Arizona, New Mexico, District of Columbia, Indian Territory, Oklahoma, Hawaii; or as to CITIES it is as many as the population of Greater New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Boston and St. Louis combined.

This Company has more premium-paying business in force in the United States than any other Company, and for each of the last 10 years has had more New Insurances accepted and issued than any other Company in the World.

ASSETS - - $105,656,311.60



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SIGNIFICANT FACTS

This Company's Policy-claims paid in 1903 averaged in number one for each minute and a third of each business day of 8 hours each, and, in amount, $89.00 a minute the year through.

THE DAILY AVERAGE OF THE COMPANY'S BUSINESS DURING 1903 WAS:

359 per day in Number of Claims Paid.
6,297 per day in Number of Policies Issued.
$1,303,559.06 per day in New Insurance Written.
$98,582.76 per day in Payments to Policy-holders and addition to Reserve.
$53,841.18 per day in Increase of Assets.

Income in 1903 ..... **$49,887,804.11**
Gain over 1902 ..... **6,551,520.50**
Asset Increase in 1903 ..... **16,475,402.61**

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The Company OF the People, BY the People, FOR the People

ASSETS

United States, City and R. R. Bonds and Stocks	$48,175,913.27
Bonds and Mortgages	31,814,193.06
Real Estate	14,835,140.61
Cash	5,301,220.90
Loans to Policyholders	1,850,144.14
Premiums, deferred, and in course of collection (Net)	3,000,401.30
Accrued Interest, Rents, etc	679,298.32
	$105,656,311.60

LIABILITIES

Reinsurance Fund and Special Reserves	$94,008,251.00
All other Liabilities	956,188.04
Capital and Surplus	10,691,872.56
	$105,656,311.60

Paid to Policyholders since Organization, plus the Amount now Invested for their Security, **$238,295,968.84**

Number of Policies in Force . . . **7,523,915**

Amount of Outstanding Insurance **$1,342,381,457.00**

Amount of Insurance Issued in 1903 . . **$398,889,074.00**

In its Ordinary Department policies are issued for from $1,000 to $1,000,000 on individual lives, premiums payable annually, semi-annually and quarterly. In its Industrial Department policies are issued on all the insurable members of the family for weekly premiums.

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RECORD OF GROWTH IN TEN YEAR PERIODS

	INCOME	ASSETS	SURPLUS	POLICIES IN FORCE	OUTSTANDING INSURANCE
1883	$2,082,619.05	$2,186,622.24	$627,368.24	531,048	$63,425,107.00—1883
1893	15,216,236.65	19,343,705.06	4,109,689.92	2,940,226	353,177,217.00—1893
1903	49,887,804.11	105,656,311.60	10,691,872.56	7,523,915	1,342,381,457.00—1903

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DANGER IN RIVER

Of Ice Pack at Tyngs Island

WHEN ICE BEGINS TO FLOW

Mayor Howe and Engineer Mills Confer

Engineer Mills of the Locks and Canals company was a visitor at Mayor Howe's office at city hall this morning and while there his honor asked the veteran engineer as to the danger of an ice pack at Pawtucket falls when the river begins to run high.

Mr. Mills was of the opinion that there is no great fear of a bad situation at the falls but he fears that the ice may collect in the vicinity of Tyngs island where the river takes a sharp bend at a point where it is particularly narrow and in that case the surrounding country is in danger of being flooded.

The rain of Monday had little effect on the river as it was not of sufficient volume but it is expected that it will begin to rise in a few weeks.

OLD COLONY RAILROAD

MAKES A NEW ISSUE OF BONDS.

BOSTON, Feb., 25—The state board of railroad commissioners today after a brief hearing approved the issue of $498,000 four per cent. twenty one year bonds of the Old Colony railroad, to refund a like amount of four and one-half per cent. bonds due April 1. President Choate appeared for the road.

STEAMERS COLLIDED

ONE OF THEM WAS IN SINKING CONDITION.

LONDON, Feb. 25—The British steamer Lake Michigan, Capt. Owen, from St. John, N. B., Feb. 5, and Halifax, Feb. 8, for London, which came into collision with the British bark Matterhorn on Friday last, and was beached in a sinking condition near Dungeness in the straits of Dover, has been floated and towed to this port.

SHOT AT GUARDS

More Trouble at Ansonia This Morning

ANSONIA, Conn., Feb. 25.—For the second time within a few days, shots were fired early today in the vicinity of the bridge which is being erected by the Boston bridge company for the Berkshire division of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad, across the Naugatuck river. Since the unsuccessful attempt on the night of Feb. 1 to dynamite the bridge, guards have been stationed there and it is supposed that the shots were fired at the guards though none took effect. The firing was heard an hour before daylight. Several persons who were on their way to work at that time were held up and closely questioned by the guards but no clue to the source of the shots was obtained. A similar incident took place last Tuesday morning. At the time of the attempt to dynamite the structure the police took the view that parties having alleged grievances against the contractors who had declined to discharge non-union men, were responsible for the outrage. Since then detectives employed by the railroad and the contractors have been working with the local authorities on the case but the identity of the dynamiters has not been revealed. Tonight the guard at the bridge will be doubled.

MEMBERS OF A. O. U. W.

WANT TO KNOW JUST WHERE THEY STAND.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—The courts, which already have been invoked in connection with the controversy between the Massachusetts lodge, A. O. U. W., and the supreme lodge of the order, will be called upon to settle the question who are the legal officers. Members of the order who in Massachusetts number about 11,000 persons were making inquiries today as to their position with reference to the grand lodge, in view of the split which occurred yesterday over the question of the jurisdiction of the supreme lodge. As a result of the proceedings there are two sets of officers, one elected by the Massachusetts grand lodge in convention, but refused recognition by the supreme body, and the other chosen by a faction which under direction of the supreme officers withdrew from the convention. The latter have been officially recognized by the supreme master workman. The convention officers, however, claim to have been legally elected by the Massachusetts grand lodge in view of these conflicting claims, it was the prevailing opinion among members of the order in this city that the courts, which already have been petitioned to compel the Massachusetts lodge to pay assessments to the supreme lodge, will be asked to decide who are its legal officers.

CONSUL CHESHIRE

ON HIS WAY TO THE ORIENT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 25.—Fleming D. Cheshire, the newly appointed United States consul to Mukden, one of the three American representatives named for Manchurian ports under the provisions of the treaty of last October has arrived here en route to the Orient. Regarding the recent announcement that Russia will object to the new consuls assuming their functions in Manchuria, Consul Cheshire has received no advices and he will sail tomorrow.

SIX ARRESTED

MEN ACCUSED OF INCITING A RIOT.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Feb. 25.—Six men have been arrested and placed in jail charged with inciting a riot which threatened violence to Jerry Dugins, the self-confessed murderer of Mrs. Benjamin Ramsey and her two children. More arrests are expected.

COUNTESS ARRESTED

SHE TRIED TO SHOOT CAPTAIN GILPIN.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 25.—A special to the Post-Intelligencer, from Dawson says that Count and Countess Moranewski are in Nome jail, charged with attempting to murder Capt. William Gilpin, a former friend. Their bonds are fixed at $5000. The trouble took place at the Russian mission where the countess tried to shoot the captain. She did not succeed because he had taken the powder out of the cartridges.

AN INVESTIGATION

OF WORKINGS OF CHICAGO'S BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—The city council has passed a resolution authorizing the mayor to appoint a special committee of three aldermen to investigate the present workings of the building department. The action is admittedly the result of the report of the grand jury on the Iroquois theatre fire catastrophe.

The council has reconsidered its recent order allowing the Cleveland theatre to open in violation of the new theatre ordinance.

STORES ENTERED

VERY LITTLE OF VALUE WAS STOLEN.

HINGHAM, Mass., Feb. 25—Six stores in this town were broken into early today, but little of value was stolen, the largest amount of money missing being $27 from a grocery store. Entrance was gained in each case by smashing a window and it is believed the burglars were non-professionals.

GOT A PERMIT

M. COHEN RESPECTS THE BUILDING ORDINANCE.

A law-abiding man is M. Cohen of Howard street, and when he decided to build a shed he was told that the ordinances required owners to get permits for any new buildings before erecting them. Accordingly he called on Supt. Conlon at City hall this morning and got a permit to build a shed 10x7x12 feet in dimensions. Cohen could have built the shed almost in the time it took him to walk to City hall and back, but he wanted the thing built according to law.

SANITARY COMMITTEE

WILL MEET AT CITY HALL FRIDAY.

The committee on sanitaries, Councilman J. J. Hayes, chairman, will meet on Friday evening at 8 o'clock at City hall.

DISASTROUS FIRE

BUSINESS PORTION OF TOWN WIPED OUT.

CONNEAT HARBOR, Ohio., Feb. 25.—Fire today practically wiped out the business portion of Conneat Harbor. Among the buildings burned were the Mutual block and the Marine bank building with their contents, including the Marine bank, the post office and several stores. Loss estimated at $100,000.

CONOR O'KELLY SAILS.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—Conor O'Kelly, nationalist member of parliament for the north division of Mayo, is a passenger on the White Star line steamer Oceanic, which sailed today from Queenstown for New York. He expects to remain four months in America.

WILL JOIN FEDERATION.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Feb. 25—At a conference yesterday between Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor and delegates of the two Porto Rican labor unions, representing all the organized labor of the island, Mr. Gompers urged their amalgamation under the American Federation of Labor. A resolution to this effect was adopted by the delegates and will be voted upon by the unions March 12.

THE MAINE A. O. U. W.

WATERVILLE, Me., Feb. 25.—The report of Grand Recorder A. G. Andrews of Augusta, before the grand lodge, Ancient Order United Workmen, today showed a total membership of 7,421. The total receipts were $201,000; the disbursements $182,901; and the balance on hand $16,189. There have been 91 deaths during the year. The convention was an harmonious one, as the internal troubles which predominated at the convention of the Massachusetts grand lodge yesterday were amicably settled at a special sessions two months ago by a vote to adopt the new rates imposed by the supreme lodge.

LOSS IS $30,000.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Fire in the subcellar of the 23-story building of the American Tract society, corner of Nassau and Spruce streets, early today filled the lofty sky-scraper with dense clouds of smoke and caused damage estimated at $30,000.

$10,000 FOR HOSPITAL.

CALAIS, Me., Feb. 25.—Chipman hospital, St. Stephen, N. B., is beneficiary to extent of $10,000 and St. Andrews cemetery to the extent of $5000 by the will of Owen Jones of London, who was a native of St. Andrews.

WAS FOUND DEAD

Arthur Lesage Died in His Room

EVIDENTLY VICTIM OF HEART FAILURE

He Had Worked in the Merrimack Mills

Arthur Lesage, aged 35 years, was found dead in bed in his boarding house at 393 Market street. Mr. Lesage was employed in the Merrimack storehouse and yesterday complained of feeling ill and left his work to go to his room to rest. He told Mr. Lavigne, the boarding house keeper, that he was not feeling well and would not go to work until the following day.

Late in the afternoon Mr. Lavigne went up to Mr. Lesage's room to give the latter some dinner, but his raps on the door were not answered. Opening the door Mr. Lavigne saw the body of Mr. Lesage lying on the bed lifeless. Death was due to heart failure.

He was a native of Canada and he lived in Lowell about nine years. Besides his brother, who lives here, he leaves three sisters, Mrs. Alexis Rivard and Mrs. Pierre Lafreniere of Louisville, Que., and Mrs. Charles Maille of Sherbrooke.

If you want help at home or in your business, try The Sun "Want" column.

HAM ARRESTED

Charged With Larceny of $104,000

WAS MANAGER OF AMERICAN SURETY CO.

He Disappeared and Gave Himself up

BOSTON, Feb. 25—Wallace H. Ham, manager of the Boston office of the American Surety Co., of New York was arrested here today charged with the larceny of $104,000 from the company. It is alleged that Ham appropriated that sum of money by converting to his own use various amounts during the past year. The warrant was issued today by the municipal court on information furnished by officials of the surety company from the headquarters of the concern in New York city.

Ham is 48 years of age. His home is in Brookline. He is married and has several children.

The Boston office of the American Surety Co., is at 89 State street. The company does a general business in furnishing surety on court contracts and fidelity bonds. Ham learned of the fact that a warrant had been issued for his arrest. When the inspectors called at the office to take him into custody he had disappeared. Later he returned and notified police headquarters that he was ready to answer to any charge against him. He was then placed under arrest.

The American Surety Co., issued the following statement:

"The net shortage of Wallace H. Ham, who is treasurer of St. Luke's Home for convalescents, treasurer of St. Paul's church, this city, and manager of the American Surety company of New York is about the sum of $190,000 in three accounts, but the amount chargeable to each account cannot be accurately stated until final audit of the three accounts. The American Surety Co., of New York has forthwith by direction of its excessive committee caused the arrest of Wallace H. Ham, and has already charged off out of its surplus of $2,408,181, its estimated proportions."

HOTEL BURNED

FIRE CAUSED BY AN OVERHEATED STOVE.

NORTH BROOKFIELD, Mass., Feb. 25—Hotel Dewey, a wooden building here, was burned early today. No one was in the hotel at the time. Mrs. Rose Morrison, the proprietress, who also conducted a store on the street floor, places her loss at $9000, with insurance of $7000. It is supposed that the fire was caused by an overheated stove.

OUTBREAK OF DIPHTHERIA.

SAN JUAN, P. R., Feb. 25—An outbreak of diphtheria has occurred on board the United States training ship Monongahela. The entire crew has been ordered ashore and the ship will be disinfected. Twenty-two cases of apprentices suffering from sore throats are under observation in the tents of the marine hospital. No fatalities are feared.

ARRIVED AT PORT SAID.

PORT SAID, Egypt, Feb. 25—The United States torpedo boat destroyer flotilla, escorted by the auxiliary cruiser Buffalo, has arrived here on its way to the Philippines.

The vessels had a rough trip, but sustained no damage.

KILLED IN MILL

Operative Whirled Around Shafting

LAWRENCE, Feb. 25—A fatality occurred at the Upper Pacific mills yesterday afternoon. William Burns, an employe of the dyeing department connected with the print works, was the victim.

The body of Burns was found under a broken belt at the end of a washing machine, which he was running. It is not known just how he met his death as there was not a single witness to the accident.

It is supposed, however, that he was caught in a belt and carried over the shafting.

His body was considerably bruised and cut.

When found the injured man was unconscious. He never rallied to tell how the accident occurred.

A physician was hastily summoned, but his services were of no avail.

Burns died in a short time after being found by his fellow employes.

Burns was a competent employe, having operated the machine on which he was working for 13 years. It was his regular duty to work on this machine.

Burns was about 20 years old and resided at 7 Chestnut street. The remains were turned over to a local undertaker.

SAILOR'S BODY FOUND.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The body of a sailor named McCumber (one of the crew of the wrecked schooner Benjamin C. Cromwell) was picked up on the beach 14 miles east of Bellport, L. I., today. This is the second body recovered, the body of the captain having been found yesterday.

Inflammation

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Fashion has set her seal of approval on the Military trimming for Walking Suits, with Bolero Jackets and Kilted Skirts.

We specify particularly a Ladies' Walking Suit of blue and brown cheviot, Military Coat, the latest cut, with long shoulders and Kilted Skirt,

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We specify particularly a nice line of brown Cheviot Walking Suits, with Bolero Jacket, Military trimming, wide stitched belt,

$30.00

We specify particularly a beautiful line of blue Broadcloth Walking Suits, braid trimming, with Persian outlines and Kilted Walking Skirt,

$35.00

We are now making a display of new suits that nobody ought to miss seeing.

Merrimack Clothing Co. ACROSS FROM CITY HALL

LIQUOR CASES

One Defendant Was Fined Fifty Dollars

THE DRESS SUIT CASE IS "MARKED"

Woman Failed to Answer Police Summons

The dress suit case is "marked" as an instrument used in illegal liquor traffic.

In court today Judge Hadley remarked during the trial of the liquor case against Zepherin Poitras, in which a dress suit case figured, that it is common knowledge that persons engaged in the illegal sale or illegal keeping of liquor have made use of the dress suit case as a means of transportation of liquor.

Last Saturday night the liquor squad went to the home of the defendant, rear of 701 Merrimack street, and found Poitras and two men in the kitchen. Poitras had a dress suit case containing 24 empty beer bottles. There was a pillow slip containing more empty beer bottles. On the floor were four bottles of beer and a gallon jug filled with whiskey. When Poitras saw the officers he left the house in a hurry. On the witness stand he testified that he went out to Campau street to play a game of cards with Joe Beausoleil and he did not return until Sunday morning. He admitted that he did not remain at his own home last night as his wife was afraid he would be arrested. The government tried to get him to admit that he has been in the habit of bottling the beer at some place and bringing the bottles to his house but he denied this. He said that he goes to Lawrence each week and brings up a case of beer in a dress suit case and also some whiskey. He could not tell the name of the dealer from whom he bought the liquor but said the place is on Common street. Another fact brought out by the prosecution was that the bottles had different labels on them.

Judge Hadley in summing up said that persons have a right to have liquor in their house in a reasonable quantity for their own use. In this case he said there were circumstances that went to show guilt on the part of the defendant. It was then that the court made reference to the dress suit case figuring in so many cases of illegal keeping and selling.

Poitras was fined $50 and he went into his pocket and pulled out a roll from which hes tripped five $10 notes and handed them to the clerk of the court.

FAILED TO APPEAR.

When the case of Isadore and Annie Dyer was called Mrs. Dyer failed to respond. Her husband was in court and said that his wife was not on hand but that she had come down town this morning.

The officers stated that they had notified her to appear in court this morning and they could not account for her absence. The court ordered a warrant issued for her arrest. Then Deputy Welch told her husband to have her come to the station this afternoon or he will be compelled to send an officer after her. The Dyers were accused of illegally keeping liquor at their home in Chelmsford street. A continuance of the case for one week was granted and bail for the husband was fixed at $300. When his bondsman appeared it was learned that he owned a cottage house valued at about $1,000, on which there is a mortgage of $250, and so he was not accepted. He was told to get someone else and he left court on his mission while Dyer was sent down below.

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WAS WELL FIXED

Henry Monahan Had Good Roll

Henry Monahan blew into town from Warren, N. H., yesteray and had about $40 lying loose in his pockets. Henry got partly well loaded during his travels around town and finally fell into the hands of a policeman who showed a charitable spirit by providing a ride in tre patrol wagon for Henry. This morning he was the only drunk before the court and he was fined $2 and advised to return to Warren, N. H.

OUT ON STRIKE

PANTS MAKERS WANT NINE-HOUR DAY.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—About 320 pants makers of this city went out on a strike today because their employers refused to grant a 9-hour day at a 10-hour rate of wages. The strikers are all members of Pants Makers' union 173. Some of the large employing firms have signed the union agreement but many of the smaller concerns who are banded together as the Contractors' association, have refused.

REPORT DENIED

BRITISH TROOPS WERE NOT ORDERED TO INDIA.

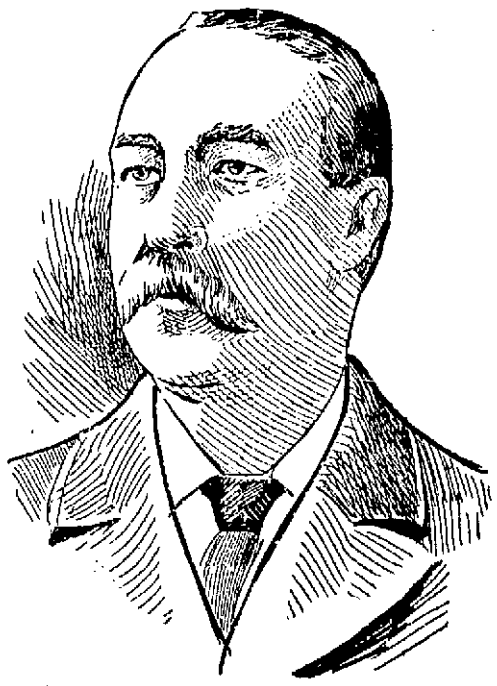
LONDON, Feb. 25.—The war office tells the Associated Press that there is no truth whatever in the rumor published yesterday by the Manchester Despatch that the first (British) army corps had been ordered to hold itself in readiness to depart for India within a few days.

PRESIDENT HARPER ILL.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—President Wm. R. Harper of the University of Chicago, has suffered a recurrence of his recent attack of appendicitis and again is under the closest attention of his physicians. It is feared at the university that his recent trip in the east caused his malady to return in a more serious form than before.

WOMAN MAY RECOVER.

PORTLAND, Me., Feb. 25.—Mrs. Charles E. Laubrich, who was shot by her husband at midnight, just before he put a bullet through his own brain, was resting comfortably at the Maine General hospital today. The outcome of her wound is problematical, but the physicians believe she has a chance for recovery.



CHIEF JOSEPH E. SHAW, WHO SUCCEEDS THE LATE CHIEF WADE AS HEAD OF THE DISTRICT POLICE.

MAJ. POLLARD DEAD.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Feb. 25.—Henry M. Pollard, a prominent attorney and former member of congress from Missouri is dead, aged 68. Duing the Civil war he was a major under Gen. Philip H. Sheridan.

LIABILITIES DISCHARGED.

VIENNA, Feb. 25.—The Turkish banking house of Mathias Russo, which has been reported to be in difficulties has, it is announced, fully discharged all its liabilities.

FRENCH MISSION

GREAT CROWDS AT BOTH SERVICES LAST NIGHT.

At the women's mission in St. Jean Baptist church, last evening, Rev. Fr. Deguire, O. M. I., preached a practical sermon on the "Care of Daughters." Mrs. Elzear H. Choquette sang Bertini's "Ecce Panis" and the choir sang ehr's "Tantum Ergo." At St. Joseph's church Rev. Fr. LeVacon, O. M. I., preached on the subject of "Conjugal Life and its Duties." Mrs. Joseph H. Bergeron and Mrs. Joseph Barry rendered Rosewig's "Ave Maris Stella."

FR. CALLAHAN

PREACHED AT ST. JOHN'S TUESDAY.

Rev. Michael J. Callahan of Beverly, formerly curate of St. John's church, North Chelmsford, occupied the pulpit at St. John's Tuesday evening.

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Parisian Suggestions For the Fancy Dress Ball Costume

PARIS, Jan. 16.—Paris is ringing with the wonderful success of Sarah Bernhardt in one of her old time parts, half dove, half tiger, provided for her by that past master of dramatic art, Victorien Sardou. The "divine Sarah" seems in this play to have reverted once more to

DIRECTOIRE.

the electrifying power and magnetic charm of her "La Tosca" and "Fedora" triumphs. This marvelous woman whom age cannot wither or custom stale has once more drawn all Paris to her feet. The new romance, "La Sorciere," deals with the Moors and Spaniards in the sixteenth century, and nothing can be recalled by the most inveterate theater goers of the gay capital to rival in magnificence of mounting this mediæval drama. There was a murmur of admiration at the scene showing Toledo by moonlight, with its bridge spanning the Tagus, bringing out all the picturesqueness typical of this quaint old Spanish city.

Mme. Bernhardt never plays better than when surrounded by the trappings, ornaments and jewels of a despotic epoch, and in this latest success her artistic powers have a splendid field. In the first act she appeared gowned in a gorgeous garment of voile glittering in silver, and the audience at once fell under her hypnotic influence. I wonder whether Mrs. Leslie Carter in America will interpret this fascinating character of Zoraya?

In the social world the "bal costume" has been interesting the smart set to the exclusion of all else in the way of amusements; consequently the fashionable mondaine is making a study of the most effective and picturesque points in the costumes of all nations.

Everything American has a great vogue here; the Yankee highball is acclimated and the national game of poker is quite at home in its Parisian surroundings. In the fancy costume line the Indian squaw, the cowboy and the Puritan maiden figure prominently. It is also considered very smart by ex-

BRETON GIRL.

clusive hostesses to have a cakewalk done en costume at their fancy balls. The French themselves, while seeking abroad for ideas, have a bountiful supply at home upon which the rest of the world is very fond of drawing.

Noticeable in this line are the artistic possibilities of the empire and directoire periods in sartorial affairs. Brocades which even Watteau would envy and like to paint are to be picked up not for a song, but in sufficient lengths from which to fashion a ball dress of this era. A scant skirt of the empire days is lovely when made with a wide ruching of plain silk in a contrasting shade around the bottom. The

NORWEGIAN PEASANT.

short bolero on this costume is of moss green velvet if the skirt material is of a peachy tint. The revers and high, flaring collar are embroidered in gold galloon. A quaint high bonnet of shirred silk having a saucy bunch of flowers perched on the crown in front should accompany the empire frock.

A directoire toilet will transform a stately beauty into a regular grande dame. This gown is very like the empire in its makeup, excepting the bonnet, which is a large three cornered hat, with a cockade well up at the side. When the directoire costume is affected, a La Tosca stick is a dainty trifle to carry.

The Breton peasant in her picturesque dress offers a good suggestion for a fancy ball gown. Her skirt is of wide striped blue and white cotton, over which is worn a long, sheer white apron reaching almost to the hem of the frock. A low, white muslin chemisette, a tiny jacket coming in a point to the bust line and puffed sleeves with turned back white cuffs complete the dress. The headpiece is a fearful and wonderful specimen of sartorial architecture and looks like a miniature windmill of white muslin placed on each side of the head with big, round buttons or cabochons and banded, coronet fashion, with a twist of black velvet.

The Norwegian peasant in bright national costume is a model not to be overlooked. A full red skirt of crape or some soft voile or cashmere is trimmed above the hem with a design of leaves cut out of silk and appliqued with Grecian embroidery silk. The white filet net apron is treated in the same way. The full bodice is of royal blue with a wide band of black velvet ribbon flanked by two narrower bands sewed across the bust. Outlining the low neck is a latticework of baby velvet ribbon. The sleeves are long and

VIVANDIERE.

full, of the bishop style, without being banded. A tall, pointed cap of muslin with a fall of material at the ears is the rather trying headgear to be donned with the Norwegian dress.

Very fascinating and fetching is the vivandiere or daughter of the regiment costume. A short accordion plaited skirt of white is worn under a military coat of belligerent red elaborately braided in gold bullion with all the trappings of war. With gold epaulets, a drum slung rakishly over the shoulder and a colonel's chapeau on a fluffy head, what girl is there who wouldn't like to be a military woman for an evening at least?

"Miss Ribbons" is a dainty creation. This fluffy little lady has in her costume bolts upon bolts of ribbon of all widths which may be of harmonizing colors or, better still, different shades of one color. A fringe of inch wide ribbon forms a ruffle over a "drop" of silk. Running horizontally from the knee up in princess style are more rows of ribbon. The waist has a wide sash starting from the side seam and drawn up at the shoulder with an immense chou of loops with long flowing ends. Straps of ribbon compose what there is of the

RIBBONS.

sleeves. A large poke bonnet of ribbon is held coquettishly under the chin with a careless, loose bow.

Weird and spooky is the "bat" costume. Gun metal gray tulle plaited and held close to the figure above the knees, then allowed to flare at the feet, is covered with bats cut out of black velvet and glued here and there over the dress. Huge specimens of this grewsome bat family form the corsage and head trimming. A cloak somewhat on the Red Riding Hood order with the front eliminated and the back cut into sections like bat wings is lined with silver tissue and fastened securely over the head at the throat. To make the picture realistic the arms must be held extended their full length to give the winglike appearance.

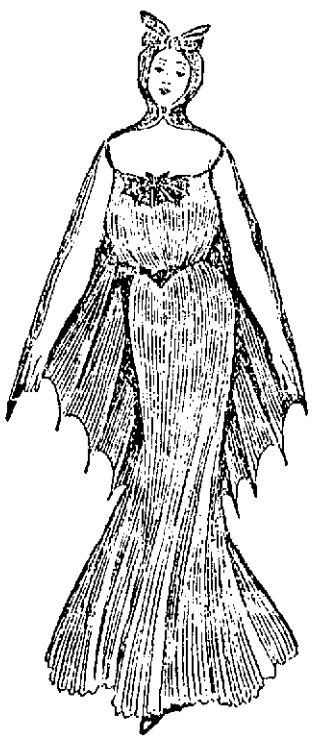
The Spanish dancer, with her castanets, is always a graceful figure in the ballroom. Flame colored, spangled tulle is a charming fabric for this costume. The bodice is of satin in a lighter shade of yellow, with bolero and long, tight fitting sleeves of black velvet. Outlining the jacket and running down the front of the skirt is a shawl shaped ornamentation of knotted chenille in different colors shading from flame to bright pink. The hair is arranged high and caught with a tall comb of Spanish workmanship with perhaps the additional adornment of a red rose or two.

The costumes described are only a few of the many phases of the fancy ball gown. There are historical, mythological and grotesque creations galore, but these frocks have the advantage of being easy to duplicate and not extravagant as to price.

I had really forgotten that the item of expense is tabooed in this luxurious age, and we hear on all sides that never have toilets been surpassed in costliness since the days of the French empire. It is amusing to see the indifferent air assumed by our elegantes as they fling off scarfs of ermine mixed with priceless lace.

In the coming spring lace is to be extravagantly used, and the course variety will have a foremost place on fashion's list, and Irish crochet, which wears like iron, is to be a leading favorite, while lace embroidered with gold thread is a recent debutante among trimmings.

Another feature of the early spring styles is the continuance of the bolero in favor. It may be worked out in va-



A BAT.

rious shapes, but in every instance these jackets will be extremely short.

In the matter of veils La Mode is autocratic. She demands strict adherence to a one toned color scheme. In other words, the hat and veil must match. Fancy white veils are fetching, although trying to a colorless complexion. When worn long and full some of the new "beauty aids" hang quite to the shoulder and require a subtleness of handling which only an artist in the sartorial line may hope to achieve.

Shoes and stockings must needs match. For street wear nothing has superseded the black stocking and shoe in favor. In the evening the swagger woman wears beautifully embroidered and lace trimmed hosiery, although the lace at the ankle to preserve this dainty outline must be narrow and delicately inserted.

Kid and satin are the fashionable materials for the slipper, and their expense is found in the buckle rather than in the embroidery. Patent leather for low shoes is the correct thing.

The latest invention in the up to date jeweler's window is the handkerchief and purse bracelet. In design it is a serpent, fitting closely to the wrist and holding the purse in its coils. There is

SPANISH DANCER.

something very fascinating about the tucking away of a mouchoir in a coat sleeve. The fair sex wisely copied this fancy from the men, but now we have a fashion all our own which is just as attractive.

A pretty and useful addition to my lady's bureau is a silver vase which is made to hold troublesome long hatpins. These vases will be attractive additions to the bureau set, will they not?

CATHERINE TALBOT.

A Virtue of Necessity.

A charming idea is to line a fur cravat with quillings of chiffon, amid which is placed a tiny pocket just large enough to hold a small handkerchief. This fashion is really a useful expedient, as the present day costume has no pocket. The high, shapely belt or vest peeping out from beneath the straight jacket fronts or bolero lapels need not be made unshapely by tucking a handkerchief inside the corsage. Beneath the cravat it is unseen and at the same time is exceptionally handy. An ermine cravat with quillings of cream or white mousseline would be a very attractive hiding place for the pocket.

TRAINS TO AND FROM BOSTON

SOUTHERN DIV. To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.	WESTERN DIV. To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
5.43	8.50	6.00	7.04	6.50	8.00	7.30	8.34
6.33	7.40	6.30	7.26	8.00	8.54	9.25	10.32
a6.38	7.50	7.55	8.55	9.25	10.39	10.45	11.41
a6.42	7.53	8.25	9.02	10.50	12.00	11.50	1.08
a7.01	8.03	e9.00	9.57	12.05	1.32	2.15	3.19
e7.24	8.10	e10.00	10.57	12.45	1.57	3.36	4.55
a7.31	8.50	a10.17	11.34	2.30	3.35	4.59	5.50
7.45	8.35	e11.30	12.07	3.10	4.10	6.01	7.05
8.00	9.40	12.00	12.50	5.55	6.04	6.35	7.46
9.40	10.40	e1.00	1.37	5.06	6.43	8.39	10.40
11.00	12.08	2.00	3.01	6.15	7.15	B11.15	12.15
a11.43	12.25	e3.00	3.37	7.00	8.00		
a12.14	1.00	a3.47	5.00	9.25	10.30		
1.40	2.50	4.14	5.30				
e1.55	2.39	e5.10	5.37				
a5.03	4.20	5.38	6.25				
e5.47	4.30	a5.47	6.54				
4.25	5.30	6.14	7.30				
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e7.39	8.10	11.20	12.22				

SUNDAY TRAINS

To Boston. Lve.	Arr.	From Boston. Lve.	Arr.
8.15	9.27	8.00	9.17
12.05	1.24	12.00	7.02
4.05	5.18	5.00	6.37
5.30	6.55		
8.00	9.05		

SUNDAY TRAINS

a8.38	7.30	9.00	10.00
a7.24	8.10	1.00	1.57
8.45	9.49	5.00	5.58
e8.20	10.15	e7.30	8.08
e4.25	5.30	e8.30	9.08
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LOCAL NEWS

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Don't miss the sale at Oriental Bazaar.

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A two-story house at 533 Central street is to be sold at auction on Saturday afternoon, on foreclosure of mortgage. This will probably sell low and offers a chance to get a home cheap.

HAD A LICENSE

SUREME COURT DECIDES IN BROCKTON MAN'S FAVOR.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—The full bench of the supreme court yesterday sustained the exceptions of Granville L. Packard of Brockton, convicted upon an indictment charging him with maintaining a public nuisance by storing large quantities of naphtha upon his premises. The superior court is held to have erred in preventing him putting in evidence a license from the mayor and aldermen of Brockton under the statutes of 1894, chapter 399, permitting him to store naphtha. He claimed that the license obviated the nuisance allegation and justified his conduct. The supreme court holds that if was competent evidence to show his authority to store naphtha. C. C. King for Packard. Dist.-Atty. French for the commonwealth.

TWO LIVES LOST

Fire Was Started by Some Tramps

COLORADO SPRINGS, Col., Feb. 25.—Two lives and possibly three were lost early today in a fire that destroyed three buildings, one of them a lodging house. For a time the fire threatened the entire business section of the city. An unknown man and a 15-year-old girl were the victims. Loss, $10,000. Tramps started the fire in a livery stable, where several horses were destroyed.

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EVENING HIGH

Class of 1904 Held Annual Social

The class of 1904, Lowell Evening High school, held its annual class social last evening and the affair aside from being largely attended was a grand success on the part of the contributors to the program, which was carried out under the auspices of Adelaide E. Noyes. The Columbian orchestra furnished the music for dancing.

The program was as follows:

Male Chorus—"No Title Is Higher Than Man."
Graduating Class.
Reading—"Song of the Market Place," Gertrude Rolfe.
Vocal Trio—"Down on the Farm," Mary Quinn, Marie Gareau, Mary Casey.
Comedy—"Jokes," by a Joker, Thomas Powers.
Violin Solo—"Adoration," Paul Sullivan.
(Miss Minnie Blanchard, Accompanist)
Song—Selected. Harry Hopkins.
Miss Mabel Hopkins, Accompanist.
Club Drill—Mary Hammersly, Marie Gareau, Esther Whitehead, Ella Justin, Gertrude Rolfe, Helena Green.
Reading—"Sweet Peggy." May Ella Judge.
Soprano Solo—"Dreaming." Margaret Malone.
Character Duet—George and Nellie Waugh. Miss Adelaide E. Howe, program accompanist.

The officers of the evening were: General manager, John J. Kelley; assistant general manager, Michael O'Brien; chairman of social committee, Charles F. Sullivan; treasurer, Agnes Tulley; secretary, Norah Curtin; floor director, Francis T. Burke; assistant floor directors, William Sadler and Mattie McAdams; chief aid, Thomas Kane; aids, Thomas Powers, Michael Winn, George Moss, John McElroy, Albert McDermott, Delia Connerton, Margaret Hennessey, Katherine O'Reilly, Bessie Robitaille, Loretta Whitely; reception committee, George Andrews, F. L. Dawson, Joseph McDermott, Eugene Quinn, Thomas O'Hara, Mary Tarpey, Georgie Clowater, Mary Quinn, Norah Cryan, Margaret Shea.

NORMAL GRADUATES

OF THE LOWELL DISTRICT SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.

One of the pleasant features in connection with the Sunday School convention, held at the Kirk Street Congregational church yesterday, was the organization of the normal graduates of the Lowell district of the Massachusetts Sunday School association, presided over by Rev. B. F. Kingsley, with John Perry, Jr., secretary pro tem.

The purpose of this organization is not only for social and friendly conference but to stimulate those who have taken the course and have not yet taken the examination and also to keep up the interest of those who have received diplomas from the Massachusetts State association.

The following graduates were present at its first meeting: Miss Helen M. Brown, Miss Ida M. Goucher, Miss Julia Williams, Miss E. M. Skilton, Miss Florence E. Rowell, Miss Jennie E. Bartlett, Mrs. Mary E. Sinter, Miss Lizzie G. Sturtevant, John Perry, Jr.

CHIMNEY FIRE.

A still alarm late yesterday afternoon summoned a portion of the fire department to a chimney fire in a house owned by S. Sargent in Bartlett street.

FOR TOMMY DIXON

Appeal to Legislature in His Behalf

WANTS COMPENSATION FOR HIS SIGHT

Lost, He Claims, Through an Assault in Prison

"Tommy" Dixon, the blind man who sells lead pencils and other small articles about town, was before the committee on prisons at the state house yesterday seeking an annuity for the loss of his eyesight. Although because of his blindness the beauty of nature has been shut out from him, Tommy Dixon has not been heard to grumble very much and his smiles are much more prevalent than his frowns. He is a familiar figure about Lowell and when the weather permits he can be found sitting by the Hamilton wall in Central street. Despite the fact that he has no income other than he can rake and scrape by the sale of pencils, shoelaces, combs, etc., he never fails to lend a helping hand to those more unfortunate than himself. He was one of the first to contribute to the relief of the victims of the South Lowell explosion. He gave one dollar, his profits for two days.

The petition submitted by Tommy to the committee on prisons bore the names of the mayor of Lowell, Hon. Charles H. Allen, former governor of Porto Rico, the chairman of the state board of trade, and others.

The committee had two bills to consider, one granting aid by annuity and the other by one payment, the sum, in both cases, being left to the judgment of the committee. The hearing was opened by Representative William E. Westall.

Alderman James H. Carmichael said a good word for the petitioner and then Tommy was called upon to tell his own story. He said in part:

"I was sent to the Massachusetts reformatory in 1888 for a second offence of drunkenness. I worked all the time netting glass. One day a Lowell prisoner whose term was nearly up asked me to varnish a cane that he had made. Maurice Cohen, a prisoner, was in charge of the paint shop, and he refused to let me have the varnish without an order. I got it and went back to Cohen. He struck me with a bunch of keys over the nose and it bled. I did not tell on him, for it meant 10 days for him in a dungeon. But somebody else told, and he was taken from his job and set on a bench.

"Later in the day I was taking off my overalls almost in front of Cohen when he struck me under the eye with a knife. A few days later I received a letter from my son and could not read it. I was pardoned out. The prison commissioners gave me three weeks boards in Lowell.

"I worked at my trade year after year, with eyesight growing dimmer. I had been able to earn from $3 to $5 a day, and had been a glass setter for 25 years. Now things grew dimmer until, two years ago, I was struck totally blind. Now I can only go about in the cold, offering shoestrings for sale.

"I have not drunk a drop since I was blind. I've tried to do as good as God will let me. I'd rather lose both legs than my eyes, because I could still see the world. I never expected to be deprived of sight in the prime of my life.

"I've changed my life since I became blind. I have sense enough to know now that I was a fool when I drank. I wish that I had known it before, because it would have saved my sight."

Senator James H. McKinley and Rep. W. H. I. Hayes, Rep. Horton H. Hilton and Representative Thomas Donahue spoke in favor of the petition.

The committee voted to lay the matter over for one week.

Clearance sale at Oriental Bazaar.

FOR SWEET CHARITY

LEAP YEAR PARTY AT DRACUT GRANGE HALL.

A leap year party was held at the Grange hall in Dracut Centre last night under the auspices of the apron table committee of the Day Nursery fair.

The upper hall was simply, but effectively decorated in national colors, which were strung profusely from an apex in the centre of the ceiling to the side walls. Many of the young ladies wore a heart pinned to their breast, indicating a valentine, and this in a measure added to the decorations.

Dancing was commenced shortly after eight o'clock and continued until midnight, the music being furnished by an orchestra. Mr. George Hutchinson had charge of the floor, and he was ably assisted by a corps of young ladies consisting of the following named: Miss Felicia Nix, Julia Hallowell, Edna and Della Peabody, Nettie Smithson, Ella Hutchinson, Susie Richardson, Roxie Henderson and Jessie Gage.

The patrons were Mrs. N. W. Peabody, Mrs. J. W. Coburn, Mrs. W. W. Myers, Mrs. Bert Smithson, Mrs. Walter Sanborn, Mrs. H. C. Richardson, Mrs. E. P. Crawford, Mrs. C. McDonald, Mrs. H. W. Folsom and Mrs. Annie Plimpton.

The reception committee was composed of the following named young ladies:

Misses Peabody, Nettie Smithson, Mina Somers, Alice Whitman, Eva Strout, Blanche Cupleby, Jennie Hall, Davena Smith, Esther Smith, Vida Hurst, Hilda Johnson, Gladys Hamilton, Mabel Hamilton, Madeline Hoar, Gertrude Marley, May Marley, Julia Ring, Bertha Prescott, Sadie McDonald, Margaret MacDonald, Sadie Collier, Gertrude Peabody, Alice Avon, Lizzie Henry, Susie Richardson, Jessie Richardson, Edith Russell, Ella Hutchinson, Driscoll, Alice Wing, Lilla Kimball, Minnie Davis, Dora Hillard, Hyacinth Somers, Roble Henderson, Blanche Cummings, May Cummings, Florence Milner, Bertha Walker, Mabel Hall, Harriet Irving, Minnie Snow, Agnes Deane, Alice Jennings, Catherine Graham, Nettie Drewett, May Rowley, Jessie Burden, Christine Cameron, Ella Baxter, May Brown, Ella Donohoe, May Munroe, Stella Wilson, Jessie Gage, Felicia Nix, Lilla Breck, Addie Breck, Marion Lane, Irene Fox, Marion Gerry, Gertrude Taylor, Julia Hallowell, May Rollins, Clara Hutchinson and Kittie Conlin.

UNITED IRISH LEAGUE.

The executive committee of the United Irish League will take action tonight on inviting Conor O'Kelly, M. P., to Lowell. He is delegated by Mr. Redmond to tour this country in the interests of the home rule movement.

FAMILY ESCAPED

Overcome by Gas for Entire Day

LYNN, Feb. 25.—The strange case of an entire family sleeping 36 hours as a result of gas escaping in the house, and awakening to find it had lost an entire day, is the experience of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Lemare and their 18-year-old daughter Nellie.

The Lemare family live at 68 Williams avenue, near where two families had narrow escapes from asphyxiation Thursday owing to a leak in the gas main and the flowing of the fluid into the houses through the course of an old brook.

The three persons in the Lemare house went to sleep Thursday night about 9, and about midnight Mrs. Lemare awoke with a headache. She placed a wet towel about her head and returned to bed. Later Mr. Lemare and the daughter complained of not feeling well and all had headaches, but no odor of escaping gas was noticed.

The family continued in bed and did not wake again until Saturday morning. All day Friday workmen were busy in the street digging for the gas main to stop the leak and considerable noise was made in the vicinity, but the family slept on.

Saturday morning Mrs. Lemare awoke, and after considerable difficulty succeeded in arousing her husband and daughter. They felt ill and decided not to go to work. Later in the day they discovered they had slept all through Friday.

Physicians were called, who said the family had suffered from the escaping gas, but that the quantity reaching the house was not sufficient to cause death. A cat and canary bird in the house were found dead from the gas.

BALFOUR BETTER

He Presided at Cabinet Meeting

LONDON, Feb. 25.—Premier Balfour had sufficiently recovered his health to come from Brighton to this city today to preside at a cabinet meeting at noon. Prior to the meeting the French ambassador, M. Cambon, called at the foreign office and had an hour's talk with Foreign Sec. Lansdowne. The ambassador returned here from Paris yesterday evening, and, apart from an exchange of views in regard to the most recent developments of the war, on which subject the two cabinets are keeping in the closest touch with each other, there is good reason to believe that a settlement of all matters in dispute between France and Great Britain is on the eve of being arranged. Such questions as Egypt, Morocco, Newfoundland, etc., have been fully discussed by the two governments for some months and the differences are being gradually eliminated, until practically nothing remains to prevent an early signature of a treaty removing all outstanding obstacles to a complete accord between the two powers.

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And Friday **Silks at Less Than Half Price.** Our usual Mid-Winter Sale. 15,000 yards Remnants Plain Dress Silks come to us from the silk mills. The lot consists of Wash Taffetas, Peau de Soie, Peau de Cygne, Louisene, Crepe Princess and Pongees. In white, cream, pink, blue, nile green, lavender, tan, grey and a good sprinkling of dark colors. Regular price $1 yard. These silks have been carefully put up into waist and dress lengths and we place them on sale Friday morning next, at only

49 Cents a Yard

We also offer at the same price a small lot of very pretty Fancies and Lining Silks.

SALE FRIDAY NEXT

SILK DEPARTMENT, PALMER STREET, LEFT AISLE

Also Friday **Deep Cuts Made in the prices of Skirts, Rain Coats, Children's Short Coats, Kimonas, Bath Robes, Etc.**

Walking Skirts

All this past season's styles in Black, Blue and Mixtures, Cheviots, Broadcloths and Fancy Weaves.

1 Skirt, $4.95, reduced from $7.49.
5 Skirts, $4.95, reduced from $8.75.
2 Skirts, $5.95, reduced from $7.75.
8 Skirts, $6.95, reduced from $10.00.
2 Skirts, $6.95, reduced from $11.75.
7 Skirts, $8.95, reduced from $11.50.
1 Skirt, $8.95, reduced from $12.50.
4 Skirts, $9.95, reduced from $12.50.
2 Skirts, $9.95, reduced from $15.00.
1 Skirt, $10.95, reduced from $16.50.

Children's Short Coats

Sizes 6, 8, 10 and 12.

5 at $1.49 each, were $3.98.
5 at $1.98 each, were $5.98, sizes 2 to 6.
2 Coats at $3.95, were $9.00.
5 Coats at $2.95, were $5.00.
2 Coats at $1.95, were $3.50.
1 Velvet Coat for $3.95, was $10.00.

Flannelette Kimonas

7 at 29c, were 50c each.
12 at 49c, were 75c each.
8 at 49c, were $1.00 each.

Eider Down Sacques

8 at 45c, were 75c each.
9 at 65c, were 95c each.
1 at 95c, was $1.98.
2 at 95c, were $2.50.
1 at 95c, was $3.95.

Dress Skirts

With Easter coming so early this year, a new dress skirt and waist makes an appropriate costume. Here are some good skirts, not out of date, and way below price.

1 Skirt, $3.95, reduced from $6.75.
1 Skirt, $3.95, reduced from $7.75.
1 Skirt, $3.95, reduced from $11.00.
2 Skirts, $4.95, reduced from $5.49.
1 Skirt, $4.95, reduced from $7.49.
11 Skirts, $4.95, reduced from $7.25.
3 Skirts, $4.95, reduced from $12.00.
1 Skirt, $4.95, reduced from $12.50.
1 Skirt, $9.95, reduced from $17.00.

Rain Coats

Medium Heavy Weight Oxfords, Tans, Etc.

2 at $7.95 each, were $13.50.
3 at $7.95 each, were $15.75.
1 at $9.95, was $19.50.
1 at $9.95, was $22.50.
1 at $9.95, was $23.50.

Eider Down Bath Robes

34 at $2.45, were $3.50 and $3.98 each.
9 at $3.45, were $5.00.
10 at $4.45, were $6.50 and $7.50, in Red, Blue and Gray.

Long Flannelette Kimonas

10 at 95c, were $1.75 each.
3 at $1.95, were $3.75 each.

Kersey Capes

4 only, at $2.50 each, were $5.00.

These Elaborate Mark Downs Take Effect on Friday Morning Next

EAST SECTION. SECOND FLOOR.

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